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OUR CASH

Secretary Carlisle Makes His Annual Report to Congress.

The Deficit for the Year Ending June 30th Was $25,203,245—Uncle Sam Still Has $267,000 000 on Hand—Some Interesting Statistics.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—Secretary Carlisle, in his annual report on the state of the finances, shows the revenues of the government from all sources to have been $409,475,408, and the expenditures $434,678,654, which leaves a deficit for the year ending June 30th, 1896, of $25,203,245. In addition to the ordinary revenues collected during the year, the cash in the treasury was increased by the following sums:

From the sale of $100,000,000, four per cent. thirty year bonds, $111,166,246; and from the issue of four per cent. bonds in liquidation of interest accrued on refunding certificates converted during the year, $4,130, making a total of $111,170,376. As compared with the fiscal year 1895, the receipts for 1896 increased $19,103,205, of which the following are the principal items of increase:

Customs, $7,863,134; internal revenue, $3,341,192; profits on coinage, bullion deposits, etc , $1,256,512; postal service, $5,516,080. There is shown to have been a decrease in the ordinary expenditures of $4,015,852. The revenues of the government for the current fiscal year are thus estimated upon the basis of existing laws:

From customs, $148,000,000.

From internal revenue, $150,000,000.

Miscellaneous sources, $20,000,000.

From postal service, $89,793,120.

Total estimated revenues, $407,793,120.

The expenditures for the same period are estimated at $472,293,120, leaving an estimated deficiency for the year of $64,500,000.

It is estimated that upon the basis of existing laws the revenue for the fiscal year 1898 will be:

From customs, $150,000,000.

From internal revenue, $155,000,000.

From miscellaneous sources, $20,000,000.

From the postal service, $96,227,076.

Total estimated revenues, $421,227,076.

The estimates of appropriations required for the same period, exclusive of the sinking fund, amount to $466,946,047, which leaves an estimated deficiency for the year ending June 30, 1898, of $45,718,970. These estimates of receipts and expenditures, the secretary says, are made upon the assumption that there will be no substantial change in existing business conditions and that the present scale of public expenditures will not be reduced. But if our ordinary business activity should be resumed and the consumption of articles subject to taxation should increase to its normal proportions, there may be, in fact the Secretary says, no deficiency in our revenues.

"Since March 1st, 1893, United States bonds to the amount of $262,315,400 have been issued and sold for $293,481,894 in gold, while during the same time notes have been redeemed in gold to the amount of $457,039,855, and on the first day of December, 1896, there was free gold in the treasury to the amount of $131,510,352. Since the resumption of specie payments on the first day of January, 1879, United States notes to the amount of $470,490,987, and treasury notes issued under the act of 1890, to the amount of $86,428,881, making $556,919,868 in the aggregate, have been redeemed in gold, and since August 1, 1893, treasury notes to the amount of $35,121,722 have been redeemed in silver, and the notes so redeemed have been cancelled and retired from circulation.

Making no deductions on account of the loss or destruction of notes, the total amount of United States currency in existence on the first day of December, 1896, was $468,358,296, consisting of $346,681,016 in United States notes and $121,677,280 in treasury notes of 1890, and, consequently, it appears that the entire volume of such notes has been once redeemed in gold, and more than $98,561,000 have been twice redeemed.

"Our experience since the resumption of specie payments has so thoroughly demonstrated the impolicy of attempting to maintain the circulation of these notes as a permanent part of our currency that further argument upon the question seems to be unnecessary, except for the purpose of again pressing the subject upon the attention of congress and urging the prompt adoption of such measures as will, within a reasonable time, eliminate this element of weakness from our system.

"No system of coinage that can be devised will furnish the government with either gold or silver, unless it pays for it with means already collected by taxation, or by contracting an indebtedness to be paid by the people in the future.

"I am thoroughly convinced that the retirement and cancellation of United States notes of both classes, under such reasonable limitations and restrictions as to time and methods as congress may see proper to prescribe, or as a prudent secretary of the treasury would adopt in the exercise of his official discretion, would not result, either permanently or temporarily, in an injurious contraction of the currency.

"The people, if left free to conduct their business affairs in their own way, will always decide for themselves how much money they need, and, unless prevented by artificial obstructions, the necessary amount will always be supplied either from their own resources at home, or through exchanges abroad. The volume of business transacted determines the amount of money and credit required, and whenever the volume of business demands an additional supply of money or an extension of credit, the demand will certainly be complied with, provided the laws do not interfere to a prevent it. As rapidly as our notes are redeemed and cancelled, gold, or a currency as good as gold, will take their places in the circulation.

"While an act conferring express and plenary authority upon the secretary to issue bonds and use them or the proceeds of their sale for the purpose of retiring a certain amount of the notes each year, would, in my opinion, be the most effectual and economical way to accomplish that object, it may be that so radical a measure would not receive the assent of congress in the present state of the public mind on the subject, and if so, it is submitted that, at the very least, authority should be given to retire and cancel a maximum amount of notes each year when voluntarily presented by the holders and redeemed in gold; and if the maximum amount fixed by congress should not be retired and cancelled in any year by redemptions out of the gold reserve, the secretary of the treasury should be clothed with authority to apply to that purpose any surplus funds in the treasury, and, in addition, if necessary, to issue the character of bonds above described to a sufficient amount to comply with the provisions of the law. The adoption of such a policy would give immediate assurance of a purpose to return within a reasonable period to a safe and elastic currency system, and would remove much of the doubt and uncertainty which have for many years disturbed the public mind and embarrassed the business of the people and the operations of the government.

"Whatever plan may be finally adopted for the retirement of United States notes and treasury notes, it will fail to afford complete protection to the government against demands for gold in the future, unless it includes a provision relieving the treasury from the obligation to redeem national bank notes, except such as are worn, mutilated, or defaced, and the notes of failed banks, or requires these institutions to keep their five per cent. redemption fund in gold and to deposit gold coin for the withdrawal of bonds when circulation is to be surrendered or reduced.

"At the close of the fiscal year 1895, the available cash balance in the treasury, after deducting all current liabilities, but including the gold reserve of $100,000,000, was $195,240,153, and at the close of the fiscal year 1896, the available cash balance, excluding the current liabilities, but including the gold reserve of $100,000,000, was $267,432,096, an increase of $72,191,942. The excess of expenditures over receipts during the year was $25,203,245, while the deficiency during the fiscal years 1894 and 1895 was $69,803,260 and $42,805,223, respectively, making the total excess of expenditures over receipts from the ordinary sources of revenues during the three years, $137,811,729.

"For the eleven months next preceding December 1, 1896, the total value of our importations, dutiable and free, was $116,800,000 less than during the corresponding eleven months in the calendar year 1895, the decrease in free goods being $65,300,000, and in dutiable goods $51,500,000. More than four-fifths of these large decreases occurred in the first five months of the present fiscal year, the falling off during that period being $50,251,000 in free goods and $44,679,000 in dutiable goods.

"It is believed that careful consideration of the existing situation, and a conservative reliance upon improved business conditions in the future, fully justify the conclusion that the estimated deficiencies for the current year and for the year 1898 will not be realized unless our public expenditures shall be very materially increased by acts of congress, and that, with proper economy in administration and such reductions in appropriations as might be made without detriment to the public service, the receipts will be equal to the disbursements in 1898.

"Much the greater part of the estimated deficiency for the current fiscal year has already been incurred, and has been paid, leaving still in the treasury on the first day of December a balance of $225,357,098, which, after deducting the gold reserve, is about $100,000,000 more than is necessary as a permanent fund to insure the regular conduct of the ordinary fiscal operations of the government. This available balance is represented by outstanding bonds bearing interest, and, as its permanent retention in the treasury can be of no advantage to the government or its citizens, no substantial reason exists why it should not be expended, if required, before our trade and industries are subjected to new or increased burdens.

"What is most needed at present is not more taxes, but more economy in appropriations and expenditures.

"The great increase in the ordinary expenditures of the government during the last seven years has been without precedent in our history, in time of peace, and presents a subject which imperatively demands the most serious consideration of congress.

"The number of our people engaged in gainful occupations increased from 17,392,099 in 1880 to 22,735,661 in 1890, a gain of 5,343,562; and, while the increase in all such occupations during the ten years was 30 72 per cent., the increase in manufacturing and mechanical industries, which are supposed to be most subject to foreign competition was 49.13 per cent. A further and most gratifying evidence of our growing industrial power is to be found in the greatly increased exports of the products of domestic manufacture, which now constitute, for the first time in our history, more than one-fourth the total value of all our sales in foreign markets. If these products were not at least equal in quality to similar products of other parts of the world, and if the prices at which they are sold were not as low as the prices demanded by our foreign competitors, they could not find a market outside the limits of our own country. The exportation of manufactured products would not go on continuously year after year at an increasing rate, unless there was a profit for our people in the operation, nor unless the markets in which they are sold are in some manner benefitted by giving a preference to the American article over like articles produced eleswhere. The annual increases since 1892 in the quantities and values of exported manufactures, notwithstanding the extremely low prices which have prevailed in all the markets of the world, are without a parallel in our commercial history, and furnish such conclusive evidence of industrial power and a capacity to compete successfully with the outside world in production and trade as ought to convince our people that protective duties on imported goods cannot be hereafter justified or excused upon the plea that they are necessary for the encouragement of capital or the security of labor in this country."

Great Tumble in Cloakdom!

Last week we advertised bargains in Cloaks that were offered to us at tempting prices, and we bought them. We placed them on sale. The ladies of Portsmouth know that when the Parisian advertises something special they are not deceived, they came to look. Lookers became buyers, the entire purchase was almost sold, only a few garments left which we are selling at the same price. But what of our regular stock, it must be sold too, we are determined not to carry a garment over, and the cut has to come. Therefore we begin early, feeling assured that you will appreciate this reduction, coming as it does when you would like to present your mother, daughter, wife, sister or sweetheart with something useful. Why not avail yourself of the opportunity and present them with a handsome Wrap? This is a genuine mark down. Read these prices, come and see the goods.

Mark Down Sale of Jackets.

If you have seen our $10.00 Jackets you know that they are the best and cheapest in the city. Come and take your choice of Boucle Cloth, Novelty Cloth, Kerseys, Meltons, all very handsome, for $7.50.

$12.50 Jackets, that were sold elsewhere for $15.00 to $16.50, reduced to $9.50.

All $16.50 and $18.00 Jackets reduced to $13.50.

$9.50 Jackets, that were considered extra bargains at that price, reduced to $5.50.

Great Mark Down Sale of Capes.

Boucle Cloth Single Capes, all silk lined, Thibet Fur trimmed around collar and front, 27 inches long, regular price $10.00, reduced to $6.75.

Seal Plush Capes, cut jet trimmed, a $14.00 garment reduced to $8.75.

Children's and Misses' Reefers at prices that you have never seen, never bought and never will buy again, and if you wish to take the opportunity to get one of these bargains, come early as these are moving prices.

PARISIAN CLOAK & NOVELTY CO.

75 WEST SECOND STREET.

Store Open Tonight and Every Night Until Christmas.

Two Christmas Entertainments.

The Sunday school of Bigelow M. E. church will give a Christmas entertainment Thursday evening. Wm. Altsman, Esq., will, in appropriate costume, appear in the role of Santa Claus.

The Christmas cantata of the German Presbyterian church will be given Tuesday evening instead of Thursday evening.

Mackintoshes are nice for boys. $2.50, $3.50 and $4.50, with a rebate of ten per cent. for cash at Sanford, Varner & Co's. 21-2

To Move to Cincinnati.

The Nitterhouse family, who have been residing in Kinney's lane, will move to near Cincinnati tomorrow. Miss Bertha Nitterhouse and her brother expect to ride to Cincinnati tomorrow on their bicycles.

Swell English mufflers, silk and wool. Very nice presents, 50 cents, $1.00 and $1.50, with a rebate of ten per cent. for cash at Sanford, Varner & Co's. 21-2

The finest line of pocket cutlery, scissors and the like, for Christmas presents, at J. C. Hibbs & Co's.

Best mixed candy in the city, ten cents a pound, at Woods', 76 West Second street. 21-3t

Oxford Bibles, at $1.25 and up, at Reilly's. 21-3t

THE WEATHER PROPHET.

Ohio.—Fair in Southwest; light snows in northeast; colder tonight; Tuesday, fair.

A WARM RECEPTION

An Unbidden Guest at a Dance Shot by the Host.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Casper, Wyoming, Dec. 21. — At Thermopolis, B. F. Hausen, deputy sheriff, and a wealthy man, gave a dance, to which Thomas Bird, a wealthy cattle man came uninvited. They were rivals in business and had quarreled. Hausen promptly shot and killed Bird, and is in custody.

BROUGHT BACK FOR TRIAL

But the Mob Took Him Out and Lynched Him.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Mayfield, Ky., Dec. 21.—James Stone, colored, charged with criminal assault on a white woman November 24th, and sent to Louisville for safekeeping, was brought here yesterday for trial Tuesday. At two o'clock this morning a mob took him from the jail and hanged him.

A BIG CRASH

The National Bank of Illinois Closes Its Doors.

Two Other Firms Go Under as a Result—Assets of From Twelve to Fifteen Million—A Loan of Over Two Millions the Cause of the Failure.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 21.—The National Bank of Illinois, with assets of from twelve to fifteen millions, did not open its doors this morning. A notice was posted on the doors that the bank was in charge of a National bank examiner. Comptroller Eckels has appointed John C. McKean receiver. The Chicago clearing house has declared its willingness to accept approved claims as collateral for loans to 75 per cent. of their face value, and the receiver requested a call for all such claims immediately.

Of the sixteen banks that cleared through the National Bank of Illinois, only two are closed as a result of its failure. They are E. S. Dreyer & Co., and Wasmandorff & Heineman, mortgage loan banks and savings societies in a small way. The assets of E. S Dreyer & Co. are given at $1,600,000, with liabilities of $1,200,000. Wasmandorff & Heineman's assets are $650,000; liabilities, $400,000. The Security, Title and Trust company was appointed receiver for both firms. The failure of the Illinois National is a great surprise in financial circles. The cause is stated by the clearing house committee as "unwarrantable and injudicious loans," by which the capital was imperilled or lost.

The principal cause of the trouble was the loan of $2,400,000 to the Calumet Electric Railway company. This, and three or four other heavy loans, threatened such heavy losses that the clearing house committee saw no way but to suspend the bank. It is not probable that the bank will resume business.

The largest and best selection of books for children, from best publishers, at Reilly's. 21-3t

Small Sunday Blaze.

A small blaze in the roof of the old Union Hotel property on Front street called the fire department out Sunday afternoon. The fire was caused by a spark from a chimney falling on the roof. A bucket of water put it out.

Just received a new lot of calf, enamel and tan Russia calf, in the new toes. KENDALL SHOE CO.

Going to West Virginia.

Chas. Heinisch left today for West Virginia. He has scured a position in one of the small towns near Huntington the store being owned by Will Simth, who formerly run a grocery at the corner of Gallia and John streets.

Hurd's well known stationery, in fancy boxes, from 25 cents to $1.50, at Reilly's. 21-3t

Fancy fire-sets, brass, nickel-plated and plain, at J. C. Hibbs & Co's.

The food we all should eat—shredded whole wheat. Served free until Wednesday next at G. W. Anderson & Son's, Damarin building.

ON THE TABLE

Cameron's Report Will Lie Until After the Holidays.

An Elaborate Defense of the Right of Congress to Recognize Cuba.

Hill Offered a Resolution to Recognize the Cubans as Belligerents—President Requested to Demand Release of All United States Prisoners Held by Spain—Doings in Congress.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—Cameron presented his resolution and the report of the committee on foreign relations on the subject of Cuba and asked that they be printed and lie on the table. To an inquiry from Senator Sherman, Mr. Cameron said that it was understood that the resolution remains on the table until after the holidays. Cameron's report is an elaborate defense of the right of congress to acknowledge the independence of Cuba and argument to show that it should be done now. Morgan presented a supplementary report giving additional facts to justify the findings of the committee.

Sherman presented two favorable reports on the resolution of Call, one asking the secretary of state to furnish lists of all United States prisoners confined in Cuba. The other requests the executive branch to demand the release of all United States citizens confined at the Spanish penal colony on the Island of Cintie, off the African coast.

Senator Hill offered a resolution in favor of recognizing the Cubans as belligerents.

Wants Banks to Report.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—The comptroller of the currency has made a call on the National banks for a statement of their condition December 17th.

Some Nominations.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—The President nominated Wm. A. Ault for postmaster of Wadsworth, Ohio; Lieutenant-Colonel David Perry, of the Tenth Cavalry, to be Colonel; Major John M. Hamilton, of the First Cavalry to be Lieutenant-Colonel, and Mayor Theo. L. Baldwin, of the Seventh Cavalry, to be Lieutenant-Colonel.

Can't Contest There Now.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 21.—The time for the McKinley election contests has now expired, and nothing can now be done in that way.

The Governor Saved Him.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 21.—Governor Turney has commuted the sentence of John Lemons, condemned to be hanged today for the murder of Eugene Lynch, to life imprisonment.

The Markets.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 21.—Wheat, 76⅝; corn, 22⅝; oats, 16.

Toledo.—Wheat, 93¼.

POLICE COURT NEWS

Three Midnight Noise Makers in an Eleventh Street Alley Arrested—Other Unfortunates.

Chas. Mathews, Geo. Lefler and Ben Monk were brought in last night by Policemen McFarland and Heisel. They were creating a disturbance in an alley back of Banks' saloon, on Eleventh street. There was a woman in the case. Mathews pleaded not guilty and his trial is set for Wednesday. The other two will enter a plea this evening.

A fellow giving his name as Scott Patterson was fined $5 and costs today for insulting Mrs. Lenhart, of the Legler House.

Children's reefers, $1.50, $3.50 and $5.00, worth double the money. Also ten per cent. rebate on all cash sales at Sanford, Varner & Co's. 21-2t

A large box of our home-made candy, only fifteen cents this week, at Woods', 76 West Second street. 21-3t

Christmas shoppers will find it an easy matter to please themselves at Lehman's, on Chillicothe street.

A new lot of fancy satin and suede slippers, in all colors, for party wear, at the Kendall Shoe Co's. 18-tf

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TIMES TELEPHONES.

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Blade-Tribune Case Paralleled.

When in Northern Ohio a few weeks ago we met an old friend who had a fine shepherd dog. This dog was afflicted with the strange hallucination that his tail was another dog and was all the time fighting it, even to the extent of keeping it sore. When we saw the dog, we said to the owner, "Why, who cut your dog's tail off?" He stutters, and this is what he said, "Oh, the d-d—n f-f-f-ool was always fi-f-f-ighting his t-t-t-ail. He k-k-ept it sore all the t-t-t-ime, and one d-d-d-ay, when in the w-w--w-oods I said, 'Oh, M-M-M-ilt, just b-b-b-ack that — sur—d-d-d — n d-d-d-og up against this—sur—lo-l-l-og, and I will c-c-c-ut his t-t-t-ail off.'" Our readers will realize it was hard on the tail, but it cured the dog. This is a true story, and we tell it for Hard's benefit.

The members of the retiring gang don't seem anxious for an investigation. Their statements and accusations are such that the people will demand that an examination be made into the affairs of the court house for the past fifteen or twenty years. The expenses of the county have crept up to over $400,000. Where are the sink holes into which this vast sum has gone? The people ask for an itemized account —such an account as will give the information that would expose to some person any fraud that might be practiced.

Secretary Olney gives it as his opinion that the passage of the commission resolution, even by a two-third majority of congress, will not be binding on the executive. The following is his opinion:

"I have no objection to stating my own view of the resolution respecting the independence of the so-called republic of Cuba, which, it is reported, is to be laid before the senate on Monday. Indeed, as there are likely to be serious misapprehensions regarding such resolutions, both in this country and abroad, and as such misapprehensions may have injurious results of a grave character, it is perhaps my duty to point out that the resolution, if passed by the senate, can probably be regarded only as an expression of opinion by the eminent gentlemen who vote for it in the senate, and if passed by the house of representatives, can only be regarded as another expression of opinion by the eminent genltemen who vote for it in the house.

"The power to recognize the so-called republic of Cuba as an independent state rests exclusively with the executive. A resolution on the subject boy the senate and by the house, by both bodies or by one, whether concurrent or joint, is inoperative as legislation, and is important only as advice of great weight voluntarily tendered to the executive regarding the manner in which he shall exercise his constitutional functions.

"The operation and effect of the proposed resolution, therefore, even if passed by both houses of congress by a two-thirds vote, are perfectly plain. It may raise expectations in some quarters which can never be realized. It may inflame popular passions both in this country and elsewhere, may thus put in peril the lives and property of American citizens who are resident and traveling abroad, and will certainly obstruct and perhaps defeat the best efforts of this government to afford such citizens due protection. But, except in these ways, and unless the advice embodied in the resolutions shall lead the executive to revise conclusions already reached and officially declared, the resolution will be without effect and will leave unaltered the attitude of this government toward the two contending parties in Cuba."

"The American people will not sustain him, and if Cleveland attempts to carry out the views of Olney, he will be still more odious in the sight of the people as a servant of Wall street. No one desires war, yet every patriot American desires to see Cuba free from Spanish hatcheries. Let Spain keep the island, but compel her to give its inhabitants a just government. If Spain refuses to do this, now is the time to guarantee to Cuba the aid of this government in establishing its independence with a Republican form of government.

CONDENSED NEWS

Gathered From All Parts of the Country by Telegraph.

The National Bank of Illinois, Chicago, has been suspended by the clearing house. It is said the bank will not open its doors.

George Golightly, the crack live pigeon shooter of Iowa, was murdered in a saloon brawl in Oscaloosa, Ia. No arrests have been made.

The Illinois Central freight depot at Jackson, Miss., was burned Sunday morning at 3 o'clock. Loss $75,000, with little if any insurance.

Wm. Lyman, of Middlefield, Ct., the inventor and manufacturer of the Lyman gun sight, in use all over the world, died in New York city of pneumonia.

Fifty horses were burned to death at a fire which started at 5:30 Sunday morning in a brick boarding stable owned by Bernard Soy, at 555 Carroll street, Brooklyn. Three firemen were injured by falling walls. The total loss is about $18,000.

The London stock exchange Saturday was influenced very slightly by the slump in New York Friday, operators appearing to think that the action of the United States senate's foreign relations committee was a manoeuver to make the position awkward for President Cleveland.

The great city of Tokyo is soon to be grid-ironed with elevated railroads. K. Nomnera, a special commissioner of the Japanese government, is to investigate different elevated systems in America and Europe, arrived here Saturday. He is accompanied by H. Lwasaki, S. Yamaguipi and K. Tokibe.

The president returned to the white house at 8 o'clock Sunday morning and attended church a little later with Mrs. Cleveland. He appeared much benefitted by his outing and brought back numerous fat ducks which he caused to be distributed among the members of his cabinet and his personal friends.

The Paris Figaro, commenting upon the action of the foreign relations committee of the United States senate Friday, says: "In view of the fact that Spain is firmly resolved upon war with the United States in the event of receiving a positive insult, President Cleveland will refuse to sanction the resolutions making war inevitable."

Senator Francis E. Warren, who was operated upon at the Auditorium annex, Chicago, last Friday for appendicitis, is still in a dangerous condition. His physicians, however, have hopes of his recovery, and say that he will have passed the critical point within another day. He suffered greatly Sunday, but his condition is said not to have become more serious.

Dispensary Constables Crawford, May and Buice made a raid into the "Dark Corner," seven and a half miles from Greers, S. C., and attempted to search the house of John Sims. Sims attacked the constables with a rifle and in the fight Sims was killed. Sims is said to be an escaped convict from Columbus, N. C., charged with killing two men in that state.

The Choctaw commission signed a treaty with the Dawes commission at nine o'clock Friday night. The treaty provides for allotment of lands, town sites, reserve of coal fields for Choctaw, schools and relinquishment of tribal government within eight years. The Cherokees, Creeks and Chickasaw tribes will treat with the commission after the holidays.

An Offensive Movement.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—A special dispatch to the Herald from Jacksonville, Fla., says: Advices received here from Havana convey the startling intelligence that the insurgent army in heavy force had crossed the Jucaro-Moron trocha. There appears to be no doubt that this is the force commanded by the insurgent commander-in-chief, and that Gomez's long looked for offensive movement has begun in earnest.

Gen. Lee Leaves for Havana.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, United States consul general at Havana, accompanied by his wife and daughter, took the midnight train over the Pennsylvania road for Tampa en route for Havana. It was stated that the general contemplated staying a few days at Ocala with some friends. From Ocala they will go by train to Tampa, sailing to Havana next Thursday or Friday.

"Big Four Route."

The "Big Four Route," with its time-honored custom, will sell tickets from points on its lines at the low rate of one and one-hird fare for the round trip, on December 24, 25 and 31, 1896, and January 1, 1897, good returning until January 2, 1897.

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Hood's Pills are easy to take, easy to operate. 25 cents.

GEN. COLBY

Raising an Army of Ten Thousand Men to Fight for Cuba.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 21.—Gen. L. W. Colby, ex-assistant U. S. attorney general, whose proposition to raise an army of 10,000 men to fight for Cuba was given publicity through the United Associated Presses, is receiving letters and telegrams from all over the country indorsing his plan, urging him to continue in his efforts and asking to be enrolled as volunteers. One of these is Col. Robert McReynolds, of Okahoma, who says: "I want you to count me in with 100 of the finest shots in this territory. I want to be with you, on staff, if possible. I have been agitating the question for a year and a half now and am in earnest in every word I say."

Col. McReynolds served under Gen. Colby in the Sioux campaign at Wounded Knee. Last winter he went to Cuba and fought with the insurgents as a private.

Death of Silas A. Hudson.

BURLINGTON, Ia., Dec. 21.—Silas A. Hudson, first cousin of Gen. U. S. Grant, died Saturday night, aged 81 years. He was a co-worker with Greeley on the New York Tribune and with George D. Prentice on the Louisville Journal, and with both assisted in bringing about the nomination and election of Abraham Lincoln, with whom he was on terms of intimacy. He was appointed by President Grant in 1869 as minister to Central America. He resigned in March, 1879, and had since led a retired life in Burlington.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of Testimonials.

Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

William's Kidney Pills.

Have you neglected your kdneys? Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your kidneys and bladder? Have you pains in the loins, side, back, groins and bladder? Have you a flabby appearance of the face, especally under the eyes? Too frequent desire to pass urine? Williams' Kidney Pills will impart new life to the diseased organs, tone up the system, and make a new man of you. Sample free. By mail, 50 cents per box. Sold by Win Nye. Williams Manufacturing Co., proprietors, Cleveland, O.

The Public Will Take Notice.

On and after December 1st, 1896, all trains of the Columbus, Hocking Valley & Toledo railway will arrive and depart from the Union depot in Toledo, thus avoiding the objectionable transfer at Toledo in going to and from points in Michigan. All trains will continue to depart from and arrive in the Union depot at Columbus as in the past, making the Buckeye route not only the short line between Columbus and Toledo but the only line having union depot terminals in both cities. When purchasing tickets to points in Ohio, remember the fact that omnibus transfers are avoided if tickets read via the Columbus, Hocking Valley & Toledo railway. For information, write agents, or W. H. Fisher, general passenger ticket agent, Columbus, Ohio.

That Catarrh Is a Local Affection.

Of the causal passages, is a fact established by physicians, and this authority should carry more weight than assertions of incompetent parties, that catarrh is a blood affection. Ely's Cream Balm is a local remedy, composed of harmless medicants and free of mercury or any injurious drug. It will cure catarrh. Applied directly to the inflamed membrane, it restores it to its healthy condition.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

"Mystic Cure" for rheumatism and neuraglia radically cures in one to three days. Its action upon tthe system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits; 75 cents. Sold by Whittaker & company, druggists, Portsmouth, O., corner Second and Court streets.

"Big Four" Interchangeable Milage.

The interchangeable one-thousand mile tickets of the "Big Four Route" are indispensable to all business firms and commercial travelers. The lines of the "Big Four" penetrate all the big cities of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, and a ticket which can be used to reach these cities, as well as cities on principal connecting lines, is invaluable.

Go Home.

For the holidays and make the old folks glad. That you may do so at little expense, the Ohio Southern will make a rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip between all stations on its own line and to points on connecting lines. Tickets will be on sale December 24th, 25th and 31st, 1896, and Jan. 1st, 1897. Limited good to return not later than Jan. 4th, 1897. Call on Ohio Southern agents for full particulars as to rate and time of trains.

The person who disturbed the congregation last Sunday by coughing is requested to call at Amanns' pharmacies and get a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar, which always gives relief.

YULE TIDE IS HERE.

Do not put off your Xmas Shopping until everything is picked over. We are showing an immense assortment of . . . . . .

DOLLS, TOYS and GAMES.

The children can be made happy for a little cost. Good time to choose now. Bisque Dolls, Kid Body Dolls, Dressed Dolls, Sailor Dolls, Negro Dolls, Brownie Dolls, Rubber Dolls, China Dolls, Celluloid Balls, Red Rubber Balls, White Rubber Balls, Trumpets, Orange Balls, Rattles, Blocks, Games, Toys without number.

BOOKS.

We are showing 500 standard works, such as you pay 25c for, our price only 10c.

200 elegantly bound books, regular price 50c, our price 17c. Books, Children's standard stories, 2½c each.

UMBRELLAS.

Over 200 different styles, all the latest handles at very low prices. What could make a nicer present for lady or gentleman.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

Thousands of them from 2c up to the finest.

FANCY ARTICLES.

A bewildering display, Perfume Atomizers, Cut Glass Vases, Puff Boxes, Pocket Books, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Glove and Handkerchief Cases, Aprons, Shopping Bags, etc., etc.,

CONNOLLEY'S STORE.

YOU CAN

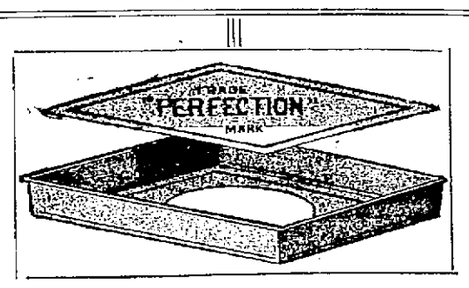
Find the Tie you want for Xmas in our cases.

It will be to your advantage to see our Holiday line of Gent's Furnishings before buying. Everything new and strictly up-to-date. If anything is not satisfactory it can be exchanged after Xmas.

E. A. JOHNSON,

104 West Second St.

Price List of Improved Perfection Tins.



SQUARE SHALLOW
For layer Cakes and Pies.
No. 700, 8¾x8¾x1 inches, price.....15c
No. 800, 8¾x8¾x1⅝ inches, price.....20c
No. 900, 9x9x2⅝ inches, price.....25c

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For layer Cakes and Pies.
No. 0, 8x1 inch, price.....10c
No. 1, 9¼x1 inch, price.....13c
No. 2, 10¼x1 inch, price.....15c

DEEP
For Loaf Cake or Bread.
No. 200, 5½x9½x2¾ inches, price.....20c
No. 300, 6½x10½x2¾ inches, price.....25c

DEEP ROUND
For Loaf Cake.
No. 3, 10½x2⅝ inches, price.....20c

DEEP ROUND
For Loaf or Angel Cake with tube.
No. 6½, 9½x2¾ inches, price.....20c
No. 7, 10½x2⅝ inches, price.....25c

Bake your Christmas Cakes and Pies in the Perfection tin. For sale only at

F. A. GLOCKNER'S,

121 and 123 GALLIA STREET.

It Is An Easy Matter

To make statements but more difficult to prove them. We wish to make one, and that is that our line of Holiday Goods are all up-to-date in quality, variety and prices. An invitation is extended to our friends to call and examine our stock, and prove to themselves that our statements do not consist merely of paper and printers ink, but of facts. There will be no trouble to suit everybody.

FISHER & STREICH,

Opposite Postoffice.

Wellsbach Incandescent Gas Burners

WILL REDUCE YOUR GAS BILL ONE HALF . . . . . .

And at the same time more than double your candle power. We hold ourselves responsible for this statement.

The PORTSMOUTH GAS and ELECTRIC COMPANY.

We have without a doubt the finest line of

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And an inspection will convince anyone. The line includes Toilet Sets, Perfume Atomizers and Perfumes.

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First Class Meals at All Hours.

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Who can do work, but there are none who can do better work than

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They have everything in the line of building material, such as lumber, lath, shingles, etc., etc.

Porches,
Verandas,

And such work done in the most artistic manner.

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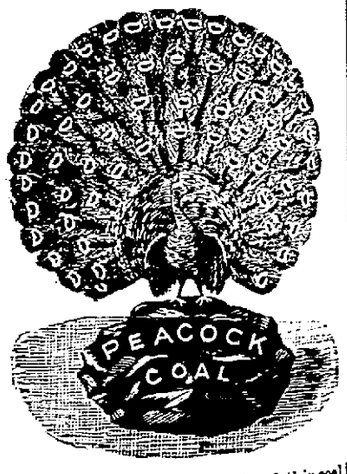

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Only a Block from Woodward & Jefferson Aver. Very Central. Near All Car Lines. Per Day $1.50.

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FREE CURE FOR MEN.

A Michigan Man Offers to Send His Discovery Free.

Claims to Be a Benefacter to Weakened Mankind.

There is always more or less suspicion attached to anything that is offered free, but sometimes a man so overflows with generosity that he cannot rest until his discovery is known to the world, in order that his fellowmen may profit by what he has discovered. It is upon this principal that a resident of Kalamazoo, Mich., desires to send free to mankind a prescription which will cure them of any form of nervous debility, relieves them of all the doubt and uncertainity which such men are peculiarly liable to and restores their organs to natural size and vigor. As it costs nothing to try the experiment it would seem that any man, suffering with the nervous trouble that usually attack men who never stopped to realize what might be the final result, ought to be deeply interested in a remedy which will restore them to health, strength and vigor, without which they continue to live an existence of untold misery. As the remedy in question was the result of many years research as to what combination would be peculiarly effective in restoring to men the strength they need, it would seem that all men suffering with any form of nervous weakness ought to write for such a remedy at once. A request to H. O. Olds, Box 1,650, Kalamazoo, Mich., stating that you are not sending for the prescription out of idle curiosity, but that you wish to make use of the medicine by giving it a trial, will be answered promply and without evidence as to where information came from.

The prescription is sent free, and although some may wonder how Mr. Olds can afford to give away his discovery, there is no doubt about the offer being genuine. Cut this out and send to Mr. Olds so that he may know how you came to write him.

Ph. Zoellner,

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Watchmaker, Jeweler and Optician.

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WATCHES,
CLOCKS,
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SILVERWARE,
DIAMONDS,
OPTICAL GOODS,

And all articles kept in a first class Jewelry store. Repairing of watches, clocks and jewelry carefully done and warranted.

Special optical work, such as examining and testing of eyes and fitting glasses to suit all persons according to scientific rules.

No charge for examination by Albert Zoellner.

The Hat She Wore

Upon her shapely head added to her comely features because it was chosen and trimmed to suit her style. It

Was a Perfect Gem

Costly fabrics and elegant trimmings are thrown away unless the milliner has taste. If you want the best so used as to make the best appearance, go to

Miss Emma Zottman

For your millinery and you will never be disappointed.

2 PACKAGES of the **Finest Chewing Gum ON EARTH** For 5 Cents, at **J. J. Brushart's.**

DON'T LOOK SHABBY!

There is no need of it. You can get your clothes cleaned and dyed at the

Portsmouth Steam Dye House,
HURLS. 71-73 W. Third S

Views and Interviews

A small boy—a dirty-faced little fellow, with grimy hands—stood in the street facing the court house the other day with a small stone clutched tightly in one hand. That stone was destined to cost the tax-payers of Scioto county a little over seven dollars. It happened in this way. The dirty-faced youngster threw the stone at another dirty-faced boy and sent it crashing through a pane of glass in a court house window instead. Then, before the official, whose window was broken, could have it fixed, he had to notify one of the honorable board of commissioners. That gentleman promptly dropped his private affairs and made a visit to the court house and examined the window. He measured the space, ordered a new glass and hired a man to put it in. Then when the job was completed, he was compelled to pay another visit to the court house to see that the job was done all right. Thus, the honorable county commissioner was compelled to charge up two days' work—six dollars—to have a little fifty-cent pane of glass put in. All this is told, as it was told to a Times reporter, by a gentleman who is on the inside of court house circles. But, then, it don't matter. The dear people foot the bills. They ought to be proud of such faithful servants.

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A New York dispatch announces that a statue of the famous war correspondent, MacGahan, has been arranged for by the New York Press club. MacGahan was a Perry county (O.) boy and did his first newspaper work for papers at New Lexington and in Jackson. He drifted East, then crossed the ocean and won his greatest fame in the France-Prussian and Russia-Turkish wars as correspondent for the London Daily News. He died abroad, and his body was brought back to America for burial in 1884. Some of the leading men of the state were at New Lexington to attend the funeral. Among them was Hon. Jas. W. Newman, of this city, at that time secretary of state, and Congressman John L. Vance, of Gallipolis. These gentlemen were pall-bearers. Speaking of the funeral, Mr. Newman once said that he would never forget that funeral. It was a hot, dusty September afternoon that they laid MacGahan to rest, and a stupid committee on arrangements made the pall-bearers walk from the depot to the cemetery—a distance of about a mile and a half. By the time the cemetery was reached, Mr. Newman and a few other "small" men were about ready to give up the ghost and lay down to rest alongside the dead correspondent. They were completely done up by the long walk and did not get over it for several days.

Bishop Watterson, of Columbus, just new to this diocese, delivered the oration over MacGahan's grave—and very eloquent and touching it was, too.

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There is trouble in Chillicothe's select and exclusive circle, and it's all because some of the dear girls up there want to black up their faces and kick up their heels and make believe they are giving a minstrel show. To be sure, the whole thing is in the interest of some charitable organization—many questionable affairs now are—and it's strictly proper, because the best people in Chillicothe are engaged in it.

When the minstrel show was first talked of, all of the ladies in town were in favor of it. But then it was announced that it was to be a society affair—only the society girls were to be in the cast. This is where the female minstrel show ran up against trouble. Every female woman in Chillicothe, no matter what her race, color, or previous condition of servitude may have been, considers herself as being "in society," and an ornament thereto. So that, when the cast of thirty-four characters was announced, the 2,479 society ladies in the corporate limits of Chillicothe, who were not to take part, raised their voices in indignant protest. They denounced the show as something awful and circulated the report that the minstrels were actually going to appear in trousers! Oh, it was awful!!! Of course, these 2,479 other good society women could not think of appearing in such a disgraceful show. Of course not!

But the thirty four elect are going right ahead, and in spite of all, are going to give their show, and they'll triumph gloriously over their calumniators, too. Good luck to the minstrels!

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One of John Wilhelm's friends made a cruel remark last night concerning the few stray hairs that are trying to flourish and fatten on his upper lip. "Say, John," said she, "why don't you tie knots in those hairs to keep them from going back in"

And Johnnie never said a word, or smiled a smole.

Holiday Visitors.

As in former years, The Ohio Southern will give its patrons an opportunity to visit friends and relations during the holidays, by making the very low rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip between all stations on its own line and to points on connecting lines. Tickets on sale December 24th, 25th and 31st, 1896, and Jan. 1st, 1897. Limited good to return up to and including Jan. 4, 1897. Call on agents for further particulars, or address F. E. FISHER, G. P. A., Springfield, O.

For Kidney Trouble.

There is nothing better than Foley's Kidney Cure. Everyone who tries it will agree to this. Sold at Amanns' pharmacies.

FOOTLIGHT FLASHES.

Tonight Uncle Tom and his associates will be at the Grand. This afternoon they gave a matinee, which was well attended. All who saw the matinee, pronounce it first class. See the performance tonight. Prices15, 25, 35 and 50.

The parade given by Salter & Martin's Uncle Tom's Cabin company this morning was a novelty. There were over fifty people in line, and a long list of donkeys, ponies, bloodhounds, etc. The three bands attracted much attention, as did also Eva's, golden chariot, which is a glittering gem worth $3,000.

This evening about 7 p. m. there will be an after dark parade by the Salter & Martin's Uncle Tom's Cabin Co. The three bands will come from different directions. See this pleasing and original diversion from the usual custom.

Agnes Wallace Villa will appear at the Grand Christmas, in matinee and night performance in "The World Against Her." Her daughter is also one of the cast. Of her the Cincinnati Enquirer says: "Lucie K. Villa, the talented daughter of Agnes Wallace Villa, was educated by the good sisters of the convent of the Sacred Heart at Mt. St. Vincent, on the Hudson river. There she was taught the various branches of learning, and excelled in music and the cultivation of the voice The sisters were loth to part with her when her education was completed, and said she was truly a child of nature. She is now one of the bright lights of 'The World Against Her,' and this past week has made her a great favorite with the throngs that have visited the theater."

IN THESE DAYS

People Are Inclined to Drift Away From the Faith of Their Fathers—An Interesting Sermon.

In the course of a very interesting sermon last evening, Rev Alfred R. Taylor, recter of Christ Episcopal church, made some pointed comments on the tendency of people in this age of the world to forget in a measure their duties and obligations in the matter of divine worship. Rev. Taylor's idea was that people did not enter the house of worship in the proper spirit, or with sufficient reverence. They would sometimes as they entered the church, look all around to see which of their friends were present, and to have a lively conversation with them. People spoke of going to hear a splendid preacher and talked of his beautiful periods and elegant diction and seemed to forget that they came to worship God in His Holy temple and hear his word expounded. The minister hoped that this tendency would be checked and that Christians would return to the simple faith of their fathers. He also spoke in a complimentary manner of the deep earnestness which characterized the devotion of the Jews in the past and today, also wherever any of that race may be.

Soloist at Bigelow.

Mrs. Wells A. Hutchins has been engaged as soloist by Bigelow M. E. Church for four Sundays. It is likely that arrangements will be made by private subscription to have Mrs. Hutchins lead the choir all the time.

It is a wringer—we mean that clothes-wringer at J. C. Hibbs & Co's. It is the best in the market. Call and see it.

Blaine Club New House.

The Blaine club has rented the Ball property at the corner of Second and Washington streets and will occupy it after January 1st. The house will be remodeled and repaired and it is understood that a modern and thoroughly equipped club house will be opened the first of the year.

If you have not called on BLANKEMEYER, THE TAILOR, you will find it to your advantage to do so. You know the rest.

May Go to Colorado.

John W. Overturf, Ewing Overturf and John Hornung returned Saturday from a trip to Colorado. They inspected some mining property there and will probably return next spring.

Twenty five cent novelties for the holidays at Alex. M. Glockner's.

A Vestry Meeting.

The vestry and deacons of Christ Episcopal church will meet Wednesday evening at the residence of Mr. H. S. Grimes on East Second street.

THE GREAT HUXLEY.

What Huxley, the Great English Scientist, Considered the Best Start in Life.

The great English scientist, Huxley, said the best start in life is a sound stomach. Weak stomachs fail to digest food properly, because they lack the proper quantity of digestive acids (lactic and hydrochloric) and peptogenic products; the most sensible remedy in all cases of indigestion, is to take after each meal, one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, because they supply in a pleasant, harmless form all the elements that weak stomachs lack.

The regular use of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will cure every form of stomach trouble except cancer of the stomach.

They increase flesh, insure pure blood, strong nerves, a bright eye and clear complexion, because all these result only from wholesome food well digested.

Nearly all druggists sell Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets at 50 cents, full-sized package.

Send for free book on Stomach Troubles to Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

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CORDUROY

FOR LADIES' WEAR.

Good quality Corduroy, 21 inches wide, in desirable shades, dark green, brown, navy and garnet, 65c a yard.

Down Pillows

Just received. Three sizes, 18, 20 and 22 inches long. Prices 45c, 60c and 75c each.

Covers

For Down Pillows, made of Denim. Some finished with ruffle, others with cord and narrow braid, others made of Crepon goods with silk ruffle. Prices 30c, 50c and 55c each.

Fine Linen Towels

Selecting and buying very easy with our varied assortment of styles, sizes and prices. Notice a few specials.

Red Bordered Fringed Towels, 18x36 ..... 12½c each
Hemstitched Damask Towels, 17x30 ..... 15c each
Colored Border Damask Towels, 21x45 ..... 20c each
Colored Border Damask Towels, knotted fringe, 22x36 ... 25c each
Besides an elegant line of very fine quality Damask Towels at ..... 35, 40 and 50c each
See our Fringed Linen Scarfings at ..... 15, 20 and 25c yard
Also Fancy Scrim, plain and colored borders ..... 20 and 25c yard

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"A FAIR FACE MAY PROVE A FOUL BARGAIN." MARRY A PLAIN GIRL IF SHE USES

SAPOLIO

Sem Annual **Clearance .....Sale**

OF TAILORING GOODS.

ON ACCOUNT of the accumulation of odds and ends and the constant change in novelties, we will from now until the first of January, 1897, make to order Suits and Overcoats at prices never heard of before considering the quality of the stock and the grade of work done.

Suits and Overcoats
For $20.00.
Former Prices $22.50 to $30.00.

Pants
For $5.00.
Former Price $7.50 to $10.00.

WE MAKE these reductions only for a short time, in order to dispose of our fall stock of goods and make room for Spring Goods. We have many short ends of trouserings which we can make up for men of medium height, and the price, $5.00, can not be duplicated. Come in, inspect the goods, and you will recognize the advantage of patronizing us.

Haas, Schwartz & Co.

Lumber, Laths, Shingles

At Lowest Prices.
Send in Your Orders.
Corner Washington and Ninth Streets.

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Candy Can

Be bought cheaper at the Central Grocery than anywhere else in town.

You Can

Get what you want here for Christmas—no matter what it is. Canned goods of all kinds. No one

Can Can

It as cheap as you can buy it here. All kinds of tropical and domestic fruits and

Nuts Can

Be found among our superb holiday stock. It will pay you to call and see our holiday stock before you buy your holiday supplies.

The Central Grocery

Stop There!

If you are looking for the finest and best there is in the market

Go no Further.

You will find everthing that was ever found in a first class meat market, at the store of

Brandau & Rueppel,

John Street.

The Crowd

Stops to admire the stock and styles of MILLINERY at

Mrs. Weichens',

207 Chillicothe St.

And those who admire taste and elegance always buy them. She has the latest in

Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats.

Do You Know the Difference

Between first class or inferior laundry work? If you only knew the difference

It Makes In the Appearance.

If you do not, take your laundry to the

THE PORTSMOUTH STEAM LAUNDRY

And you will be convinced as to what first class work is.

There is None Better,

As thousands of people will testify.

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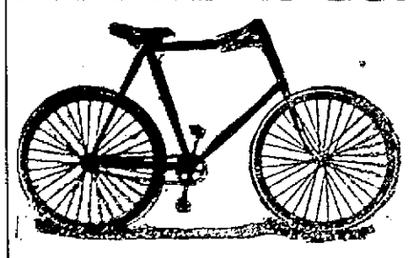

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Corner Third and Washington.

Red Cross Rubber Vulcanizer, the latest and best method of mending or welding cut or broken rubber tires, A full line of wood rims on hand. Will place them on wheels at bottom prices.

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A General Banking Business.

Our resources and special facilities enable us to receive on favorable terms accounts of individuals, firms and corporations.
United States Bonds and other First-Class Investment Securities dealt in.
Special attention given to collections.

Wright's Celery Tea regulates the liver and kidneys, cures constipation and sick headache. 25c at all druggists.

$6,000 FIRE.

Early Morning Blaze in Buddy Wertz's Elk Hotel and Saloon.

Fire Caught From a Stove in the Rear of the Bar Room at Three O'clock—Fire Department Poured Water Into the Building for an Hour—The Loss Covered by Insurance.

An ugly fire broke out in "Buddy" Wertz's Elk Hotel and saloon, on Market street, at an early hour this morning. Early discovery of the blaze and prompt work of the fire department saved other buildings in the neighborhood. The fire was confined to the south half of the building, the saloon portion suffering the greatest damage.

The fire was discovered first by night watchman John Andres, as he was coming up through the alley near Lynn's livery stable. He turned in an alarm from box 21, corner of Third and Market streets. This was at 3:05. Both departments responded and two streams of water were soon pouring in the rear of the building, where the blaze was issuing from the windows in a threatening manner. There were but few guests in the hotel, and they were soon aroused and got out in good time. Mr. Wertz had a close call while trying to locate the fire and had to come out of the second story window on a rope.

Dense smoke issued from the building. Chief Williamson kept the front doors and windows closed, thus shutting off the draft. The Biggs House was filled with smoke and Landlord Gilbert aroused most of his guests. In the hallway on the third floor the smoke was so dense as to extinguish the gas. Water was thrown in the burning building for over an hour before the fire was completely under control.

It is not known how the fire started. It is thought that fire fell from the stove in the rear of the bar-room and started the blaze near the stairway. It had a good start before being discovered. The rear of the south half of the building is well burned out. Water poured through into the dining-room and the north half of the building, doing much damage. Mr. Wertz places his loss at over $6,000. The bar-room fixtures are a total loss and the stock of liquors badly damaged. The building was insured for $3,500 in companies represented by Edgar F. Draper. There was $4,000 insurance on the contents, divided equally in companies represented by H. F. Thompson and John K. Duke. An early adjustment of the loss will be made, and outside of the usual inconveniences following such calamities, Mr. Wertz will loose nothing. The hotel is closed up temporarily.

There is no finer line of pocket-books, purses, cigar cases, shaving sets, and similar goods, than at Fisher & Streich's. Go there for a Christmas present. 21-4t

RIVER NEWS.

River 15 feet, 8 inches and rising.

The Lizzie Bay will be up in the morning in the place of the Stanley, which is laid up for repairs. The Sherley is due down at six this evening.

Capt. Reilly, of Pittsburg, will enter a new boat in the Cincinnati-Madison trade in opposition to the White Collar line. He will charter either the H. K. Bedford or Argand.

You had better go to Kendall's shoe store before you buy shoes or slippers. The stock is superb, and the prices are low. 21-4t

Wood is a Winner.

The handsome and elaborate display of choice confectionery in the show windows and store of John Wood, on West Second street, is attracting no little attention. Mr. Wood makes and sells the choicest candy, and when you buy from him you know just what you are getting. He is a genial and successful caterer to the tastes of the most fastideous, and deserves the excellent patronage he is getting.

Handsome mufflers, silk and linen handkerchiefs, ten per cent. rebate at Sanford, Varner & Co's. 21-2t

The Stove Collapsed.

Yesterday afternoon while the scholars were gathering at the East End chapel of All Saints Episcopal church, the stove got on a tear and collapsed, the fire falling on the zinc covering underneath. The scholars were badly frightened.

C. H. Harris, the new Chillicothe street jeweler, has some of the handsomest Christmas presents in the city. Nothing shoddy, but first-class goods at bed-rock prices. Remember the number, 412.

Has Been Sick.

Al Evans, who is with the Bankson-Lambert Co., now playing at Menasha, Wisconsin, has been unwell for some time. He is now able, however to appear in his part. The company has been doing a fairly good business in Wisconsin.

Bargain Day Monday.

Monday, December 21st, we will give twenty per cent. off on plates and cups and saucers at E. L. Gates & Co's, 110 West Second street.

Toilet sets, cuff and collar cases, glove and handkerchief cases, all in the latest and most modern styles, and cheaper than you ever bought them before. We buy direct from the manufacturers and give you the middlemen's profits. Come and see us.
21-4t FISHER & STREICH.

PERSONAL.

Miss Julia Kinney has returned home from Gambier for the holidays.

Geo. D. Selby returned Saturday evening from an Eastern buisness trip.

Guy Williams is home from Ann Arbor to spend the Christmas vacation.

'Squire Henry Hall has returned from a visit with relatives at Cincinnati.

J. H. Flinchbaugh, representing Tracy, Wells & Co., of Columbus, is in the city.

Horace A. Levy, representing a Sidney, O., whip house, is in the city on business.

Miss Jessie May Bierly will spend the holidays with her grand-parents at California.

Miss Kate Herron, of Connersville, Ind., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Sam Johnson.

"Pete" Ware, traveling for the Tremper Shoe company, is home for the holidays.

Geo. W. Thompson, candidate for city marshal, went to Cincinnati today for a short visit.

Miss Helen Snider, of Madisonville, will arrive here next week to be the guest of Miss Julia Hall.

John M. Kirkptarick and wife, of California, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Bierly.

Misses Katie Kendrick and Minnie Gerlach have returned from a very pleasant week's visit at Cincinnati.

Judge J. W. McGillvray, of McArthur, formerly law partner of Judge Holcomb, is in the city on legal business.

F. E. Whitelaw, representing the Standard Oil company, with headquarters at Baltimore, is here for a few days.

Don Carlos Ahumeda Goddardes, who is prominent in the Cuban movement, arrived here last evening from Washington.

Mr. Ben Williamson, a leading merchant of Catlettsubrg, Ky., is in the city, being called here by the serious illness of his relative, Mrs. Dr. Will Burgess.

Lynn Lloyd, who travels in the South, representing the Douglass Shoe company, arrived home Saturday. He left this morning for a short trip and will return Wednesday and remain during the holidays.

A TEMPORARY CHURCH.

Congregation of Sixth Street Church Held Services in Kendall's Hall Yesterday.

The congregation of Sixth Street M. E. church worshipped yesterday in their temporary quarters, in the Kendall building, which affords ample room for their people, holding, as it does, over 1,000. Large audiences were present both morning and evening. At night the room was filled and those present were delighted by one of the most eloquent discourses yet delivered by the pastor, Rev. Robjent, on "That Big Boy of Ours." Next Sunday evening it was announced that the choir will render their usual program of Christmas music and the pastor promises a sermon on "Our American Girls and Their Ideals." Sixth Street people are to be congratulated on their energy, for Kendall's building had all the appearances yesterday of a comfortable church, filled as it was with chairs and a large platform erected for pastor and choir at the south end.

If you wish to get a useful present for Christmas, go to the Kendall Shoe company's store. Their line of slippers cannot be beat in town. 21-4t

Mr. King's Funeral.

The funeral of John Van King, which was held yesterday afternoon, was largely attended. A goodly number of Odd Fellows attended the funeral in a body, going to the cemetery at Mt. Zion, Ky. The services were conducted by Rev. T. S. Robjent.

They say so, and it is a fact, that Lehman's shoes wear well and are reasonable in price.

Exchanged Packages.

Will the party who picked up the wrong package in Marting Bros.' store early Saturday evening by mistake please return same to the store and get the right package?

Coal vases, hods, shovels, tongs and pokers at J. C. Hibbs & Co's.

Boys' and Girls' Bicycles.

Twenty-four-inch cushion tire, $5.00.
Twenty-four-inch pneumatic tire, $18.00.
Twenty-six-inch pneumatic tire, $20.00.
One week only.
ALEX. M. GLOCKNER.

Do you know the quickest way to cure a sprain or bruise, a burn or scald? Such injuries are very common and can be cured quickly if properly treated. Mr. J. M. Amerman, of Forks P. O., Columbia county, Pa., says: "I nave never found anything to compare with Chamberlain's Pain Balm for sprains, bruises and burns. We have used it in our family for several years and feel that we can not do without it." For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by Fisher & Streich, druggists.

WANTED—Offices and stores to clean. SARAH GRIMES, 319 West Front.

FOR RENT—Desirable seven room house, 428 North Waller street. In good repair, gas, water, good location. Apply at 77 East Ninth street.

WANTED—To purchase a cannon stove in good condition for the East End Chapel of All Saints Church. Inquire of Rev. Dallas Tucker or Mrs. Geo. Newman.

J. EISMAN & CO.'S
CHRISTMAS GREETING!

We are able to show you the grandest, largest and most up-to-date line of popular priced Holiday Goods in Southern Ohio. Our store is ablaze with useful things suitable for Yule Tide Gifts, which must be seen to be appreciated.

UMBRELLAS AND CANES.
A new stock just received for the holidays. See our combination sets, cane and umbrella to match $2.00, $3 00, $3 50, $5.00, $7.00.

UNDERWEAR
From 25c to $2.25 per garment. Camel's hair and natural wool, good at 50c. A big line at $1.00, $1.50. $2.00.

All our misses' and ladies'
TAM O'SHANTERS
Reduced from $1 and 50c, go while they last at 25c.

GLOVES
Lined dress gloves 50c, $1.00, $1 50. Unlined kids at $1 00, $1.25, $1.50. $2.00.
See our big line of woolen and heavy gloves, also our line of children's goods at 25c, 50c, 75c. $1 00, $1.50

HATS AND CAPS.
No old stock, no old styles. Our line of Fur Alpines at 75c, is equal to any $1.25 hat sold.
See our line of soft and stiff hats at $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $3.50. Our line of men's, boys' and children's caps range from 25c to $1.50.

Remember That in Addition to Our Prize Offer of
$200.00
IN GOLD,

We will give for this week only a 10 Per Cent Discount on all our

Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing . . . . .

Bear in mind that all our goods are marked in plain figures and you will be entitled to

10 Per Cent Discount

From our regular marked price. Guess on the jar of marbles. You may be one of the lucky fifteen who will get part of the

$200.00 IN GOLD.

121 and 123 West Second St.

MUFFLERS
A complete line, comprising all the newest things of the season. 25c to $2.00.

HANDKERCHIEFS
A full line of Cotton, Lawn, Linen and Silk Handkerchiefs, also a big line of Initial Silks and linen and fancy goods 10, 15, 25, 50, 75c, $1.

SUSPENDERS
The largest line of silk and satin suspenders ever shown. See our embroidered satin suspender at 25c a pair. Special holiday goods at 25c, 50c, 75c, $1 00, $1 50 and $2.00.

NECKWEAR
Only the latest novelties of the season will be found in our Neckwear stock. Silk and Satin Bows, Clubs, Tecks, Four-in-Hands, DeJoinville, Puffs, etc., 25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00.

SHIRTS
The best are the only makes we handle. Wilson Bros.' open and closed front shirts, the best $1 shirt in the world can be found at our Big Store. See our line of laundered and unlaundered white shirts and line of fancy goods 40c, 50c, 75c, $1, $1.50, $1 75.

Trim the Christmas Tree
With Fine Candies and ornaments from
Wagner's,
306 Chillicothe Street.
Only exclusive candy store in the city.
Chocolate Nut and Cream Mixtures 35c USUALLY SELLS FOR 50c
A box of fine Mixed Candy for 25c.
Everything pure, first class and up-to-date.

A Raise In Bread
But the price is the same. If there was not a raise in it, it would be sad indeed.

Just Enough.
Our bread rises just enough and therefore is always good. In fact, the secret of our success in everything is, we are alway sure

To Make It Good.
Specialties:
Honey Cakes, Pepper Nuts, Springerly's.
Pfau's Bakery,
West Second Street.

30% DIVIDEND PAID IN OCTOBER
To our customers: WOULD YOU CARE TO INVEST $10 OR UPWARDS? Dividends payable monthly. Particulars free. Address, Western Financial Co., 225 Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill.

WANT COLUMN.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms, 27 East Fourth street. 18 3t

FOR RENT—An eight room house on Offnere street. Inquire at 39 West Fourth street. 18 3t

PLANT FOOD will make plants blossom. Package by mail twenty-five cents. Big seller for agents Send six cents for booklet "House Plants" Buck Fertilizer Co., 518 Walnut, Philadelphia.

JAVARYE—Have you tried it? One pound equals in strength two pounds of coffee, and costs but fifteen cents per pound. It is healthful and fattening. Made here. All grocers sell it.

WANTED—Old smokey chimneys to renovate and also old grates to reset to the latest improved style. All work guaranteed Address Frank Melcher, No. 88 West Fifth street or 320 East Tenth street and your order will be promptly attended to.

- WIN - NYE -
Holiday Goods
Fine Perfumes, Toilet Sets, Fine Hair Brushes, Combs and Mirrors, separate and in sets. . . . . Musical Instruments, Guitars, Mandolins, Banjos, Violins, etc. All the best make. Prices low.
CORNER FOURTH AND CHILLICOTHE STREETS.

Great Reductions
In Clothing, Furnishing Goods and Hats. By buying of us you can save from 15c to 25c on every dollar,
See our fine white silk initial handkerchiefs, large size for 39c
See our fine white jaquet initial handkerchiefs, large size 19c

Silk Mufflers 50c, 75c, $1, $1.50
Some, very nice, 25c and 35c.
Men's black Alpine hats, the kind you pay $1, $1.25 for, our price 69c.
Men's fine black and brown Alpine hats $1, $1.25, $1.50, $2.

75c laundered shirts, collars and cuffs attached, 50c.
Men's black stiff hats, $1, $1.50, $2, and $2.50.
A fine line of neckwear, all the latest styles, 25c and 50c.

A big assortment of fine Dress Gloves, Dress Shirts, Collars and Cuffs, Umbrellas, etc.

THE FAMOUS,
F. & M. G. STRAUS,
133 West Second Street. *3 Doors Above Market St.*

Toys for Girls and Boys,
And handsome Christmas presents for all.
Almost Anything
That heart can wish for or money can buy—and it takes but very Little Money—can be found at
KATE MILLER'S,
709 Chillicothe Street.

You Should See
Our Window display of
Christmas Tree Ornaments and Fine Candy.
We will sell for the holidays only a choice mixture of
40-cent Candies at 25 Cents.
Everything in our line is of the Best. Come and see us.
KNITTEL'S,
63 West Second Street

FOR SALE REAL ESTATE.
2 two story bricks, 8 and 10 room houses West Fourth street near Washington street.
1 new two story frame, 7 room house Offnere street near Ninth street.
1 two story frame, 5 room house, East Eleventh street
1 two story frame, 4 room house, 60 foot lot, Board of Trade Addition.
2 vacant 50 foot lots on East Second street near Adams' residence.
1 vacant lot on East Seventh street, near Campbell Avenue.
Other large and desirable property, centrally located, For terms see,
JOHN K. DUKE,
51 West Second St.

THE OLDEST AND THE BEST

Cough-cure, the most prompt and effective remedy for diseases of the throat and lungs, is Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. As an emergency medicine, for the cure of Croup, Sore Throat, Lung Fever and Whooping Cough,

AYER'S

Cherry Pectoral cannot be equaled. E. M. BRAWLEY, D. D. Dis. Sec. of the American Baptist Publishing Society, Petersburg, Va., endorses it, as a cure for violent colds, bronchitis, etc. Dr. Brawley also adds: To all ministers suffering from throat troubles, I recommend

AYER'S Cherry Pectoral

Awarded Medal at World's Fair.

AYER'S PILLS Cure Liver and Stomach Troubles.

Opera House Dry Goods Emporium.

DENIM TABLE COVERS

In red, green and dark blue, 50c apiece.

FANCY GARTERS

In pink, blue, black, yellow green, red and lavender, 10c, 25c and 50c pair.

FANCY LINEN TOWELS

10c, 15c, 20c, 25c and 35c apiece.

SIDE COMBS

5 and 10 cents per pair.

POCKETBOOKS and WALLETS

25 and 50 cents apiece.

LARGE BARRED CRASHES

In yellow, blue, pink and red, 10c and 18½c a yard.

John F. Steahly,

Opera House Corner.

B. BLACKMORE,

Plumber.

Gas, Steam and Hot Water Fitter. General Electric Work.

10 W. Sixth st. P. O. Box 134. *Portsmouth, O.*

Estimates promptly furnished.

Wright's Celery Tea cures constipation, sick headaches. 25c at druggists

SILVER WARE

A Chest Full Stolen From the Residence of Mrs. G. W. Jones,

On Chillicothe Street, Within the Past Few Days—Solid Silver Water Service and Tea Sets Taken—The Discovery of Relatives, Saturday Afternoon—The Story in Circulation.

A story has been in circulation in the north end of town concerning the alleged disappearance of a trunk full of valuable silver plate belonging to the late Mrs. Geo. W. Jones. Mrs. Jones lived at 1510 Chillicothe street, in this city, owning property here. For some time she has been visiting a daughter at Carr's landing and died there, as noted in another column. In her life time Mrs. Jones accumulated a quantity of valuable silverware. She had several sets of solid silver tea spoons, a silver water set, plates, etc., the whole outfit filling a small trunk. Mrs. Jones also had some valuable rings and a gold watch and chain. When she went out of town she usually left these in charge of some of her neighbors. The last time, however, she left her valuables in the house, locked up in a trunk. She left the key of her house with an old friend, Mrs. Scott.

Saturday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Morgan and Will Jones went to Mrs. Jones' house to secure some clothes. They found, upon entering, that the trunk in which the silverware was stored had been broken open, the lock being smashed, and all the silverware stolen. They searched all over the house, but were unable to find any trace of the valuables. The matter was reported to the police. The silverware was very valuable.

OBITUARY.

M'COLLAM.

The fifteen-months-old child of John McCollam, of Earlytown, died Saturday afternoon of whooping cough. The remains were buried in the Clay township cemetery Sunday afternoon.

JONES.

Mrs. George W. Jones died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Bruce, of Carr's, Ky., Saturday morning. She was there on a visit, having gone there about two weeks ago. One of her daughters is the wife of J. F. Morgan, division fright agent on the C. & O. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan and Will Jones came to this city Saturday and arranged for the funeral, which was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The remains were brought here at noon yesterday.

ACKERMAN.

The eleven-months-old child of Albert Ackerman, of Kinney's lane, died Saturday and was buried Sunday afternoon.

HALES.

Mrs. Beatrice Moore Hales, the beloved wife of Albert Hales, passed away at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel G. Moore, 134 West Seventh street, Sunday night. Mrs. Hales' death came as a great shock to her many friends. Only last Thursday night she attended the dedicatory exercises at the new Congregational church. She was an expert stenographer, and that evening took the sermon of Rev. Washington Gladden, as she wished to keep it. The next day she, with her little children, went down to her mother's residence, and while there was taken ill with nervous prostration. She grew worse rapidly, until death came Sunday morning.

Mrs. Hales was born on West Fourth street, in this city, twenty-three years ago last June. She was educated in the schools here. Two years ago, in August, she was united in marriage to Albert Hales, who, with two little ones, survive her. Mrs. Hales was a kind and loving wife and mother, and her sweet and womanly ways endeared her to all. She was an earnest Christian worker, and with her husband, was prominently identified with the new Congregational church. The hearts of many friends go out in sympathy to the bereaved husband and family.

The body was taken to the home of the deceased, on Twelfth street, near Offnere, this morning.

The funeral will take place from the Congregational church, on Findlay street, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Ladies desiring a suitable persent for their sweetheart or husband should buy a pair of gentlemen's house slippers. Prices range from sixty cents to $2.00.
KENDALL SHOE CO.

Do you know that coke is a good fuel, and cheap? Try it!
18-3t J. M. STOCKHAM.

A BIG CROWD

Of Business Men Wanted at the Board of Trade Meeting, at the Council Chamber This Evening.

The board of trade will hold a special meeting in the council chamber this evening at half-past seven o'clock. The meeting is called in the interests of the new Standard Shoe company, and all business men who possibly can are earnestly requested to be present—if only for a few minutes. The establishment of a new factory in Portsmouth would give employment to many idle shoe workers and would mean dollars in the pockets of every business man. The Times understands that the committee appointed by the board of trade recently has devoted some little time to soliciting and have been much encouraged by the success that has attended their efforts. They have disposed of a number of shares of stock. This committee will make a report to the board this evening.

Look over Lehman's stock of shoes and slippers before you buy, and save money.

"Sugar Loaf" sifted June peas, made by Sears & Nichols, are as fine as money and goods can produce.

A Sudden Death.

A telegram from Manchester states that Mrs. H. O. Doddridge, wife of a former well known resident of Portsmouth, died very suddenly Sunday morning. She had gone to a neighbors residence to make a short call when she was attacked with heart failure, expiring in a few minutes. Mr. Doddridge was a resident of Portsmouth for many years, being engaged in the newspaper business.

Remember the ten per cent. rebate at Sanford, Varner & Co's. 21-2t

Perfumes—all kinds, and the best made, in fancy packages or in bulk, at Fisher & Streich's. 21-4t

Holiday Excursion Tickets.

To points on the Norfolk & Western railway and connecting lines, at reduced rates. On sale December 24th, 25th, 31st, and Jan. 1st, good for return passage until January 4th, 1897. For tickets and full information, apply to the agent of the Norfolk & Western railway.

For good, pure candy, see Woods', 76 West Second street. They will surprise you on low prices. 21-3t

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Monday, December 21st, we will give twenty per cent. off on plates and cups and saucers, at E. L. Gates & Co's, 110 West Second street.

Ladies' toilet slippers make a very nice present for Christmas. You can get them of the Kendall Shoe Co. 18-tf

Framed Sweetness.

The show windows of the Wagner candy store, at 306 Chillicothe street, are a bunch of artistic sweetness, and to take a look is to see just what you want. The decorations and display of choice confectionery is certainly fine. Saunter over that way and take a look at it.

If your room needs papering, have it done for a Christmas gift for yourself or somebody else. Our stock of wall-paper in fine grades is complete.
21-3t W. W. REILLY & CO.

Carving sets, plain steel or silver-plated, best in the land, at prices to suit you. J. C. HIBBS & CO.

You should see the elegant silver-plated ware at J. C. Hibbs & Co's. It cannot be beat, and the price—well, call and see about it.

Mrs Dr. Burgess Dying.

Mrs. Dr. Will Burgess, of East Third street, is reported dying, as the Times goes to press. She was operated on a few days ago by Dr. Rufus Hall, of Cincinnati. At first she seemed to rally, but this morning began to fail rapidly.

Neckties in all styles, and ten per cent. rebate on all cash sales at Sanford, Varner & Co's. 21-2t

Carving knives and forks, plain steel or silver-plated, at Alex. M. Glockner's.

Mr. T. F. O'Donnell, a well-known druggist of Parsons, Pa., in speaking of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy says: "Several times in the last few years when suffering with cramp or diarrhoea I have made a personal test of the value of this remedy. The effect in each instance was almost immediate relief." For sale by Fisher & Streich.

FRAGMENTS.

A special meeting of Aurora lodge is called for this evening. A full attendance is desired.

The Wise Men will give a dance in the Vincent hall, corner of Second and Court streets, Christmas eve. Tickets now on sale.

Fleece-lined underwear, 30 cents, heavy, and worth 50 cents, with a ten per cent. rebate for cash at Sanford, Varner & Co's. 21 3t

May Locate Here.

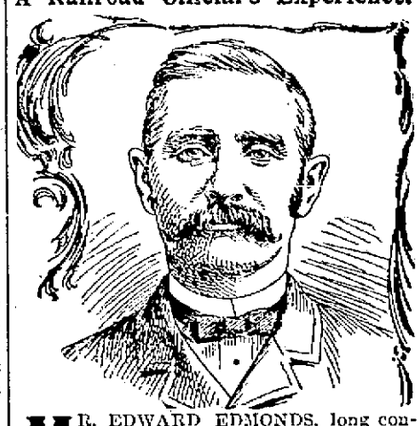
Lang L. Bierly, of Jackson, O., is in the city, the guest of relatives. Mr. Bierly is connected with a patent bed-spring manufactory and is contemplating locating here. He is an enterprising, hustling business man and would be welcomed to the River City.

The finest line of baby shoes in the city at the Kendall Shoe Co.'s, in tan, chocolate, blue, pink and black.

See our line of 20 cent and 23 cent bound books.
21-3t W. W. REILLY & CO.

Full Details Gladly Given.

A Railroad Official's Experience.



MR. EDWARD EDMONDS, long connected with railroad construction in Nebraska, writes: "My heart troubled and pained me for 19 years. Shortness of breath was the constant and most common symptom. Intense, excruciating pain, generally followed any severe exertion. Faintness, hunger without any appetite; fluttering that made me clutch my breast, and palpitation that often staggered me as if I would fall, were frequent attacks. Again, everything would turn black if I arose from a stooping posture quickly. Sleepless nights with their prostrating unrest were numerous and I could get no rest day or night. I consulted leading physicians and tried advertised remedies. They gave me no relief. One of Dr. Miles' circulars described my case so exactly that I took Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure and I am now a well man. I hope every one troubled with heart disease will try Dr. Miles' remedies. If they will write me personally, I will gladly give them full details of my experience." EDW. EDMONDS.

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure Restores Health.....

P. O. Box 65, David City, Nebraska.

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure is sold on guarantee that first bottle benefits or money refunded.

New stock of Jewelry, Watches and Clocks, Silver Novelties, at low prices. You can make fine Christmas presents for little money. 10 per cent. discount on all sales. We have a fine stock of Stick Pins, Scarf Pins, Sleeve Buttons, Shirt Studs, Watch Chains, Charms, Lockets, Toilet Sets, Combs, Coat Hangers, Key Rings, Hat Marks, Glove Hooks, Match Safes, Opera Glasses, Diamond and Opal Rings, Pendants, Baby Pins and Rings, Bracelets all the latest, Picture Frames, Spectacles and Cases, Umbrellas and Canes, Souvenir Spoons, Gold Pens and Tooth Picks, Fountain Pens, Tea Sets, Porcelain Clocks, etc., etc.

Come and see our stock, you will be pleased with our prices.

Ed. Lee Feyler,

81 W. Second St.

FOLLOW THE CROWDS

STEAHLY BROTHERS

313 CHILLICOTHE STREET,

FOR YOUR HOLIDAY GOODS.

XMAS UMBRELLAS

For men and women. No article you can select for a Christmas Present is more appropriate, more sensible or more acceptable than a nice Umbrella. We show the largest and greatest variety of designs ever displayed in this city.

Bargain	No. 1 at	$ .50
"	No. 2 at	.75
"	No. 3 at	1 00
"	No. 4 at	1.25
"	No. 5 at	1.35
"	No. 6 at	1.49
"	No. 7 at	1.50
"	No. 8 at	1.75
"	No. 9 at	2.00
"	No. 10 at	2.25
"	No. 11 at	2.50

XMAS NAPKINS.

One lot Napkins at		$ .60c dozen
"	"	.75c dozen
"	"	.85c dozen
"	"	.90c dozen
"	"	1.00 dozen
"	"	1.25 dozen

HANDKERCHIEFS.

A World of Them at Your Own Price.

CHILDREN'S HEADWEAR.

Children's Silk Caps	25c
" " "	35c
" " "	50c
" " "	60c
" " "	80c
" " "	85c
" " "	$1.00
" " and Wool Caps	25c
" " " " "	35c
" " " " "	50c

LADIES' KID GLOVES.

In button and lace, all the newest shades, $1.00 pair.

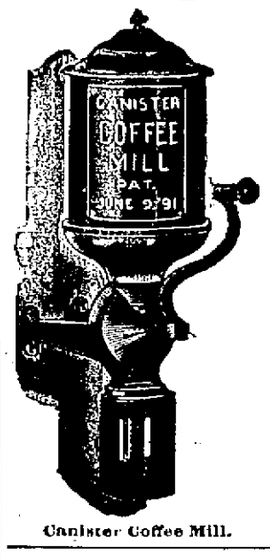
SHETLAND SHAWLS.

Colors blue, pink, black and white, at 24c, 38c and 49c.

STEAHLY BROS.,

313 Chillicothe Street. *Between Third and Fourth.*

Headquarters for Christmas Goods.



Canister Coffee Mill.

Get something useful as well as ornamental.

Fancy Coal Vases,

Brass and Steel Fire Sets,

Turkey Roasters.

Cook Stoves and Ranges.

Hard and Soft Coal Base Burners.

Anti-Rust Tinware.

We have the agency for the Lisk Anti-Rust Tinware, something that will positively not rust.

C. S. CADOT.

CASH! CASH!! CASH!!! Is King

And will perform miracles at Seebohm's this week. Avoid the rush and buy early while the assortment is perfect. Our line comprises all articles usually found in a first class Drug Store during Christmastide. You are invited. We can save you $ $ $. No trouble to show goods. Our prices will suit you.

Yours B. Jolly & Merry, alias

SEEBOHM & CO.,

Second and Chillicothe Sts.

Monday, Dec. 21st.

Grand

Matinee and Night.

Salter & Martin's Mammoth, Original production of the Foremost American Drama

UNCLE TOM'S CABIN.

20 Horses, Mules, Donkeys, Burros, Shetland Ponies, Oxen

8 Man-Eating Cuban and Russian Bloodhounds.

3 Magnificently Equipped Bands.

Carload of Special Scenery.

A Superb Orchestra. Popular Prices.

Watch for the Monster Noon-Day Parade.

Concert in Front of Opera House.

THE Peerless AND Popular

Agnes Wallace Villa

At The Grand Christmas,

Friday, December 25th.

Matinee and Night

In the WONDERFUL PLAY

The World Against Her

Beautiful Costumes. Elegant Specialties.

Two Lovely Children in Cast.

Regular Prices.

THE PRESIDENT.

His Power to Act Without Consulting the Congress.

Recognition of Cuba Held to Be Clearly an Executive Function.

Congress Alone Can Declare War, But It is Within the Power of the President, by His Own Action, to Bring About a Conflict.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—There is every reason to believe that Secretary Olney's declaration that recognition is exclusively an executive function was not made until after that cautious and thorough deliberation which characterized his conduct of the negotiations with Lord Salisbury over the Venezuelan controversy, and other important official matters which have called for his decisions since he entered President Cleveland's cabinet as attorney general nearly four years ago. It is well known in the highest official circles, especially in the cabinet, that questions of presidential prerogatives were forced upon him by his colleagues among the executive advisors at the outset of this administration in connection with the perplexities that arose in the Hawaiian affair, when the executive was placed in direct antagonism with congress. The paramount mission of Commissioner Blount to Honolulu was understood to have been undertaken with the attorney general's full endorsement and all the subsequent acts of the administration with regard to the mid-ocean republic were said to had his approval if, indeed, they have had not been inaugurated at his suggestion.

In his official capacity Mr. Olney was not intimately associated with the president in the steps which were taken to suppress the great railway riots by the use of federal troops, and throughout his occupancy of the department of justice he was constantly called upon to declare the limitations of executive power under the constitution. The sharp demarkation of congressional and executive functions with respect to purely international matters was presented to him as the legal adviser of the president upon the adoption of the Hoar Turkish resolution and at that time it was understood that such instructions to the president by congress whether in the form of concurrent or joint resolutions did not require compliance. The president neither signed nor disapproved the resolutions, nor did he transmit them to the Ottoman porte.

The Cuban resolutions were similarly ignored, though at the time of their adoption it was generally understood that Secretary Olney had reached the conclusion that their effect was exclusively advisory, however mandatory their language might be.

It is pointed out by state department officials that congress has never been confirmed by the supreme court in its assertion of any powers not expressly given to it by the constitution. In the event of the recognition of either the belligerancy or independence of Cuba, the first result, it is held, would be the appearance of an accredited minister or other emissary of that stand. The contention in that, under the constitution, the president is the sole judge as to whether such emissary shall be received. Precisely this emergency has arisen in the past few weeks. The greater republic of Central America has come into existence and its accredited minister, Mr. Redugney, has been in Washington a fortnight. He has not been received by the president nor has the American charge at Managua, Nicaragua, been authorized to formally recognize the new arrangement.

The president also took his own time in recognizing the provisional government of Hawaii and also the Dole government. Frequently prompt recognition of a foreign government has taken place without any thought of the possible approval of congress, notable when President Harrison acted on the practical termination of the Chilean revolution. The same was also the case upon the establishment of the present republic of France and the republic of Brazil. Another recent case of the exercise of the president's authority in receiving and dealing with foreign ministers occurred in the dismissal of Sackville West, the British minister. While this caused no disruption of our relations with England, it is held that it showed the president's power to act altogether without consulting congress, and it was an instance of an executive action which might have led to war.

In this connection it is also pointed out that while congress can alone declare war, it is clearly within the power of the president by his own action to bring about a war which, if declared by an opponent, would create a condition he would be compelled to meet until congress could assemble and act, especially if hostilities were provoked on our coast.

All Talk and No Fight.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—While the feeling in Washington is that the action of the senate foreign relations committee Friday will cause Spain to do much talking in regard to war, the general belief here is that no such result will come about. There seems to be a sentiment here that something must be done for Cuba, but that congress will not go so far as declaring war. The resolution has still a long and tortuous road to travel before it is adopted, and it now seems certain of being vetoed if congress does pass it.

Brazil Will Support the United States.

RIO JANEIRO, Dec. 21.—United States Minister Thompson had a long conference with Dr. Cerqueria, minister of foreign affairs. It is understood that Cuba was the subject of the conference. Brazil will probably follow the example of the United States should action be taken at Washington.

SENATOR ALLEN

On the Cuban Question and the Cameron Joint Resolution.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 21.—Senator Wm. Allen arrived from Washington Saturday. The senator was very emphatic in his declarations upon the Cuban question and the Cameron joint resolution.

"The resolution will be taken up immediately after the holidays, I think," said the senator, "and will be discussed perhaps ten or twelve days and then passed to the president. From Secretary Olney's letter the almost certain inference is that Cleveland will veto the resolution. But it is within the limits of the power of congress to pass the bill over the veto, and that can be done, I think, without any doubt. Secretary Olney's position in claiming that the power to issue such a mandate rests solely with the executive is wrong."

"Do you think Spain would declare war?"

"I think there is no probability of it. It would be merely a bluff if she did. Spain is exhausted and poverty stricken now and it would be the sheerest folly for her to take up arms against a country like this."

"Does the passage of the resolution mean Cuban independence?"

"Nothing else, as I can see. That is the whole size of it and the sooner it is done the better."

DEFIANT.

Prime Minister Canovos del Castillo Sounds a Warning.

Spain Will Defend Its Domains Against All Foes at All Hazards.

If a Conflict Between Spain and the United States Comes Castillo Says His Country is Quite Ready—Will Not Yield an Inch by Force or Threat.

MADRID, Dec. 21.—Prime Minister Canovas del Castillo said in reference to threats of American intervention in Cuba: "I desire to say in the strongest possible manner that Spain is ready to grant local self-government to the island of Cuba as soon as the Spanish arms have triumphed over the patriot forces sufficiently to make it clear to the world that the monarchy is granting the reform of its own free will, and is not yielding either to domestic or to foreign threats.

"But this government will not yield an inch to force or to threat of force. No concession of any kind will be made until the insurrection in Cuba has been brought under control, and until Spain can give what she refuses to allow any one to take, either by armed insurrection or by treasonable intrigues with other nations.

"I can not undertake to discuss the domestic politics of the United States, but I firmly believe that a majority of the Americans, who are assisting this deplorable agitation, are opposed to the independence of Cuba, and are at heart in favor of annexation.

"Spain can not undertake to be guided in her domestic affairs by any other government, nor can she allow any foreign agitation to influence her in dealing with her rebellious colony. This government seeks peace, but she will not shrink from war in any matter touching her honor. If the United States forces war upon Spain we are ready to defend ourselves, but we are determined that Spain shall be the nation attacked, and not herself the aggressor.

"I deny that either the government or the people of Spain want war with the United States. If the war comes it will not be through our fault. The Cuban question is a question of territorial integrity, and the crown of Spain will defend its domain at all times.

"Spain is strong enough to carry on the campaigns in Cuba and Phillippine islands until peace is restored, no matter how long the struggle may last. This nation is united, the queen, the government and the people have but one mind—they are determined to continue the wars until the insurrections are crushed.

"Spain will defend herself at all hazards. She seeks no foreign war, but she fears not war."

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The Standard's Madrid correspondent telegraphs that the feeling is unanimous there that the people of the United States are treating Spain unfairly and that they want to systematically provoke her to an unequal struggle simply because the United States has obtained assurances that the European powers will only display platonic sympathies for Spain.

The Spaniards are convinced of this and hence they forbear expressing their deep resentment. Suppressed irritation pervades all classes and parties. The correspondent adds that it is reported that there has been some display of amonitsy against the United States in Barcelona and Bilbao.

MADRID, Dec. 21.—Senor Canovas does not think that the Cameron resolution need cause serious perturbance. It will only make the relations between Spain and the United States more strained, but need not cause a rupture. He will never consent to foreign interfence in what is a question of Spain's domestic politics. Spain will regulate her acts so that nobody will be able to say that she made war upon another power, yet she will always repel aggression. The tone of the newspapers generally was more moderate Sunday than it was Saturday. They contain little to excite the populace.

MADRID, Dec. 21.—The explicit announcement is made that Senor Dupuy de Lome, the Spanish minister at Washington, has telegraphed to his government here that he had a conference with Mr. Olney, the secretary of state, in the course of which the latter assured him that Spain might rest tranquil until March at least, since, despite the attitude of congress, President Cleveland would not recognize the independence of Cuba.

A STRAY BIT OF NEWS

Picked Up on Scott Street by Our Representative.

The reader can find Mr. Chas. Litterst almost at any time at No. 108 Scott street. If not personally acquainted with the veteran, you will be made more than welcome if you call to interview him, by introducing yourself as an introducing yourself as an inquirer about his opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills. Our representative called recently and obtained the following facts. Said Mr. Litterst: "I am glad to give my personal experience with Doan's Kidney Pills. Words in themselves could not describe adequately the way I have suffered, nor convey properly what I feel at being relieved. I know that my constitution was undermined by the hardships I underwent while serving in the army. But the last five years marks the time of my greatest trouble from my kidneys. There was a sharp pain across the lions almost constantly. When I tried to straighten up I found it an impossibility to do so right away. At night it was torture for me to raise my body and along with the, weakness and lameness there was a distressing urinary difficulty. I used medicines, but they failed to bring about a result, but at last I got Doan's Kidney Pills at Fisher & Streich's drug store. I used them for ten days before I could really notice any marked benefit, but after that time I took a turn for the better and rapidly improved from then on. I took in all five boxes and then stopped because there was no further need for them. I was cured. Is it any wonder that I always am talking about Doan's Kidney Pills? I hope that others who suffer may only be persuaded by my experience to give Doan's Kidney Pills a trial."

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FATAL FIRE.

Family of Five Persons Burned to Death in New York.

The Servant Escapes by Jumping From a Second-Story Window.

Fire Caused by the Explosion of a Piano Lamp in the Parlor—Four Large Business Blocks in Worcester, Mass., Gutted—Loss About $110,000.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—A family of five persons were burned to death in their home, 514 east Fifty-eight street, Sunday night. The dead are: Aaron Goldsmith, 45 years old, wholesale liquor dealer; Mrs. Matilda Goldsmith, 53 years old; Bertha Goldsmith, 10 years; Hattie Goldsmith, 8 years; Frank Goldsmith, 6 years.

The only other person in the house at the time of the fire besides those burned to death was Mary Roska, 20 years old, the servant of the family. She escaped by jumping out of a second-story window to the rear yard and running through the basement hall to the front of the house. The fire was caused by the explosion of a piano lamp in the parlor.

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 21.—Fire at Bridge early Sunday morning destroyed four large business blocks and gutted another, and had an eye on the largest block in town, the Methodist church and the Hotel Windsor. The loss is about $110,000 and the insurance will not exceed $60,000. The buildings destroyed are the Taft block, owned by A. R. Taft; Gunn block, the old Gredig block and the new Gredig block, owned by Christian Gredig. The Goldthwaite block was partly destroyed.

THE PRISON

At Jefferson City, Mo., Fired in the Hope That the Prisoners Might Escape.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 21.—The source of Saturday night's fire in the state prison has been traced to a gang of 33 convicts, some one of whom fired a bundle of refuse under a stairway in the clothing department. The fire smouldered until nearly midnight when it burst into a blaze. The incendiary act was no doubt done in a hope to escape in the excitement. Notwithstanding the great excitement Warden Page and the guards at no time lost control of the prisoners. The clothing department is located in cell building No. 1, and while the guards were transferring the convicts from this building into cell building No. 3, two convicts attempted to escape, but both were captured before they got away from the building.

Great bravery was shown by the convicts who were released from their cells to help extinguish the fire. A convict from St. Louis, who, at one time, belonged to the fire department of that city, acted as captain to the state fire department and was practically chief, for he gave commands and the other leaders, seeing his ability, gave way to him. The Star Clothing company, which is also situated in the same building as the state department, was at one time in great danger of having its entire stock of clothing destroyed. The goods that were cut Saturday were destroyed by fire, and the remainder by smoke and water. The factory is in such a condition that the company will not be able to resume work for about two weeks. The loss to the state is about $2,000, and to the Star Clothing Co. about $1,000.

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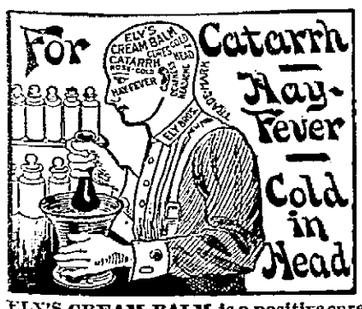

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IN CONGRESS.

Bill to Appropriate Money to Make a Government Exhibit at the Tennessee Centennial Exposition Passes the House.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Senate not in session Saturday.

HOUSE—Charles Crisp, the newly elected member from the Third Georgia district, and son of the late Speaker Charles F. Crisp, was sworn in. This fills the house for the first time this congress, there being now 357 members on the roll. Gov.-elect Black, of New York, has sent his resignation to Gov. Morton, but the latter has not yet transmitted it to the speaker. Mr. Cannon (rep., Ill.) chairman of the committee on appropriations reported the urgent deficiency bill authorized by the committee Saturday and it was considered at once. Mr. Cannon said that by urging the passage of the bill he did not mean to threaten anybody or anything, there was quite enough of that going on in the world. Mr. W. A. Stone (rep., Pa) sotto voice: "We'll leave that to the senate." The bill was passed. Mr. McMillin (dem., Tenn.) asked unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill reported from the committe on ways and means appropriating $130,000 to enable the government to make an exhibit at the Tennessee centennial exposition at Nashville next year. It was opposed by Mr. Bailey (dem., Tex.), and advocated by Messrs. McCall (rep., Tenn.), and Washington (dem., Tenn.). The bill was passed by a vote of 127 to 25.

EARLY MORNING FIRE.

Property to the Value of $450,000 Destroyed at St. Paul.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 21.—The annex to the Ryan hotel, being that portion of the hotel located on Seventh and Roberts streets, burned Saturday morning, together with the Schutte block adjoining, the fire breaking out at 2:20 o'clock from a cause at present unknown. The flames originated in Conem's furniture store and spread with great rapidity. For a time the great hotel was threatened and the guests left their beds and rooms as quickly as possible.

Dennis Ryan is the owner of the Ryan block. The others, who have suffered are the following:

Cadoca Furniture Co., 144 Seventh street; Wayside Inn restaurant, 142 Seventh street; Twin City Cycle Co., 140 Seventh street; The Fair, with a stock of Chinese goods valued at $10,000, and covered by insurance, 136-138 Seventh; assignee's sale, name unknown, 143 Seventh street; Hoffman Clothing Co., Seventh and Robert; W. D. Dennis, cigars, next to the Hoffmans' drug store, Robert street; James O'Brien's saloon.

On the second floor of the annex the Catholics of St. Paul were holding a fair, for which they have been in preparation over a year. The stock, it is expected, will be badly damaged.

The total loss will reach at least $150,000. The fire was under control at 5 o'clock. The Ryan annex was built at a cost of $400,000, while the upper stories have never been completed.

At 10:30 Saturday morning firemen were still playing water on the ruins of the Ryan annex to prevent a fresh outbreak of the flames. One-half of the building is completely destroyed, only the bare walls remaining. A few of the floors of the other half are intact, but they can not be utilized in rebuilding the annex, so the entire structure is practically lost. This will bring the total loss up to nearly $450,000.

EIGHT ANARCHISTS,

Convicted of Bomb-Throwing, Sentenced to Death.

BARCELONA, Dec. 21.—Eight of the anarchists who were convicted of complicity in the bomb-throwing that occurred here in June last have been sentenced to death by the court-martial before which they were tried. The attorney general, who personally conducted the prosecution, asked the court-martial to sentence 28 of the prisoners to death and 56 of them to penal servitude for life. The proceedings were marked with the strictest secrecy, it being feared that the anarchists, of whom there are many in Barcelona, would make a demonstration if the fact of the condemnation and sentencing of the prisoners should become generally known. The court-martial met in a vault in the fortress of Mont Juich and only military officers were allowed to be present at the trial.

MARQUIS DE HOYAS,

Spanish Ambassador to Austria, on the Cameron Resolution.

VIENNA, Dec. 21.—Concerning the resolution recognizing the independence of Cuba, agreed to by the committee on foreign relations of the United States senate, the Marquis de Hoyas, Spanish ambassador to Austria, said to a representative of the United Associated Presses Saturday:

"The revolution may be adopted by the senate and house of representatives, but both President Cleveland and President McKinley know that the United States, having a great maritime commerce, would suffer more through war than Spain would and they will therefore maintain peace."

A DUEL,

In Which Both Principles Are Killed, in Campbell County, Tenn.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 21.—A special to the Constitution from Knoxville, Tenn., says: Sunday a duel with revolvers in which both participants were killed, occurred Sunday in Campbell county, nine miles from here.

Lincoln Baird and Wm. Gailor, young men, had for some time been enemies. They met at the mill and renewed the quarrel, which resulted in the duel. Both men fired several shots and both fell mortally wounded. The sounds of the shots attracted the attention of the nearest inhabitant, who, on going to the scene, found both men dead.

In No Hurry for War.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Those who are close to President-elect McKinley say that Cleveland's message expressed his views as to Cuba. While he hopes to do full justice to the Cubans struggling for liberty, he does not want his administration hurried into war.

Cuban Demonstration in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The American friends of Cuba have completed all arrangements for a big parade and demonstration through the streets of this city Monday. The paraders will carry American flags and torches.

NOVEL INDUSTRY.

A Medicine to Be Manufactured Out of the Fetid Liquor Possessed by Skunks.

SANDUSKY, O., Dec. 21.—A novel and unique industry is being established in Groton township, this county, by David Livengood. It is a farm for the propagation of skunks.

Mr. Livengood is a large land owner and has on his property an abandoned stone quarry covering about twenty acres of land. He has had this quarry filled with soft earth, and has inclosed it with a fence of closely woven heavy wire netting six feet high with an overhanging top frame work of the same material, which extends about two feet on the inside, to keep the animals from climbing out. The solid rock bottom and walls of the quarry, which is about 40 feet deep, will, of course, prevent the escape of the skunks by burrowing.

Mr. Livengood has secured about 100 skunks, which are now inside the inclosure, and the increase of these animals he proposes to kill every year and sell the pelts, oil and the fetid liquor which is secreted in the two glands of the animal near the lower extremity of the alimentary canal and which possesses valuable medical powers.

The extreme offensiveness of this liquor has prevented its use up to this time, but Mr. Livengood has established in connection with his skunk farm a refinery for the purification of this substance so as to render it available for medicinal purposes.

Wm. Wiley Sentenced to Death.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 21.—Wm. Wiley, the wife murderer, will pay the penalty in the electric chair. Judge Evans overruled a motion for a new trial Saturday morning and sentenced Wiley to death. The condemned man will be taken to the penitentiary within 30 days, and before sunrise on April 21 he will be electrocuted. Wiley killed his wife Kate in the early part of last June at their home on East Fifth street, by shooting her three times. He has two children.

TESTIMONIALS.

From Citizens of Pennsylvania Who Have Been Cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Mr. W. W. Spillen, drug clerk, with J. W. McConnell, Parnassus, Pa., says: "I was out all one night last winter and contracted a severe cold. I was so hoarse for a week I could hardly speak. Knowing how well customers of our store spoke of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, I concluded to try it. One-half of a bottle cured me entirely."

J. A. Van Valzah, Hughesville, Pa., says: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has proven so valuable that I do not hesitate to recommend it to any one."

Dr. F. Winger, Ephrata, Pa., says: "Mr. J. D. Kline, a cigar maker of this place, reports a complete cure of his cough with a 50 cent bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy after he had tried others which had failed." For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by Fisher & Streich, druggists.

For Hoarseness.

Benj. Ingerson, of Hutton, Ind., says he had not spoken above a whisper for months, and one bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar restored his voice. It is used very largely by speakers and singers. Sold by Amanns' pharmacies.

Holiday Excursions via Buckeye Route.

The C. H. V. & T. railway, known everywhere in the state of Ohio as the Buckeye route, will, on December 24th, 25th and 31st, 1896, and January 1st, 1897, sell excursion tickets to points on its own line and to all points on connecting lines in the territory of the central passenger committee, at a rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip, good returning until January 4th, 1897. This concession in rates and limits of tickets will give everybody an opportunity to visit their friends during the merry season, which comes but once a year. Make your preparations to make the old folks at home a visit, and purchase your tickets over the popular Buckeye route. It is the only line between Toledo and Colnmbus, having union depot terminals in both cities, thus avoiding omnibus transfers in going through Columbus or Toledo to points in Ohio and Michigan. For time of trains, tickets and full information, call on agents of the C. H. V. & T. railway, or write to W. H. Fisher, general passenger and ticket agent, Columbus, Ohio.

W. S. ANDERSON

Of Peck, P. O., Pike County, Ohio Recommends Wright's Celery Capsules.

Peck P.O., Pike Co., O., July 4, '96.
To the Wright Medical company, Columbus, Ohio:

Gentlemen:—I have purchased a box of Wright's celery capsules from James T. Blasser, druggist, Waverly, Ohio, and used them for disease of the stomach and constipation. I was unable to do any work for nearly two years. I used three boxes of your Wright's celery capsules and it has cured me. For the benefit of others so afflicted, I wish to send you this letter.

W. S. ANDERSON,
Peck P. O, Pike Co., O.

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Dr. J. C. Bishop, of Agnew, Mich., says: "I have used Foley's Honey and Tar in three very severe cases of pneumonia the past month, with good results. Sold at Amanns' pharmacies.

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There is nothing more appropriate for a gentleman or a lady for a Christmas present than a nice pair of Slippers. We have a big line of Men's House Slippers in the different colors, wines, browns and black, made in various styles, Operas, Everetts, Hamlets, Romeos, Nullifiers, Brightues, etc. In Ladies' Slippers we have a good assortment of Oxfords, Sandals and House Slippers.

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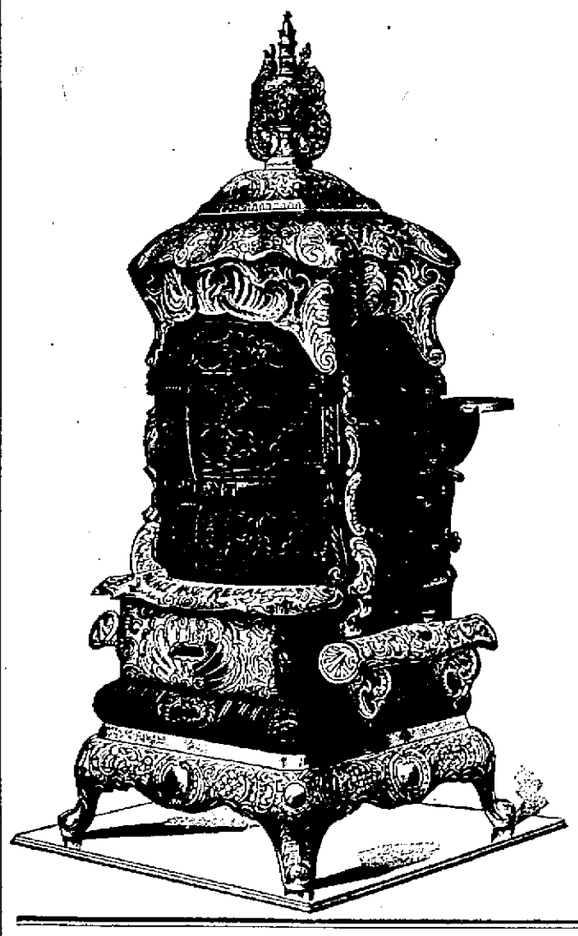

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Extraordinary efforts have been made by us to put before our customers the best things to be had in the country for the money. The result is that we show a grand line of useful Christmas Presents that must be seen to be appreciated

BEAR IN MIND

Christmas Neckwear.

Just received for our Christmas trade all the latest styles in Puffs, Tecks, Four-in-Hand, Bows, etc. All grades, 25c, 50c,75c and $1.00. Children's Windsors 25c.

Silk Mufflers.

New and beautiful designs in Silk Mufflers, all the best things, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50.

Christmas Handkerchiefs.

Silk Initial 25c, 50c and 75c. Silk, plain white and fancy, 25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00. Japanette Initial 15c, 2 to 25. Linen, plain, good size, 25c and 50c. Plain and fancy, 5c, 10c and 15c.

Suspenders.

Special Christmas stock of Satin Embroidered, all shades, 25c, 50c, $1 00 and $1.50. Silk Suspenders $1.50. Extra values 15c, 20c and 25c.

Shirts.

White Laundered 50c, 75c, $1.00. Fancy Laundered 50c, 75c, $1 00 White Unlaundered 38c and 50c. Fancy Unlaundered 50c and 75c. Blue Flannel 50c, 75c, $1.00 and $1.50. Working Shirts 25c, 35c and 50c.

Sweaters.

Bovs', all colors, 50c, 75c, $1.00. Men's, all colors, 50c, $1 00 and $1.50.

OPEN EVERY EVENING.

That in addition to our Christmas Present of

$200 IN GOLD

we will give you a reduction of

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From our low prices marked in plain figures, nntil New Year's Day on all our

Men's, Boys' and Children's Overcoats.
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Men's, Boys' and Children's Pants.
Men's and Boys' Mackintoshes.
Men's Overalls and Jackets.

$200 IN GOLD.

Guess how many pins there are.

To the First and Nearest Guesser we will give	$100.00
To the Second and Nearest Guesser we will give	50.00
To the Third and Nearest Guesser we will give	25.00
To the Fourth and Nearest Guesser we will give	15.00
To the Fifth and Nearest Guesser we will give	10.00

A Plain Statement!

We want your Christmas trade and will give you more for your money than any house in town.

HEER BROS.

Christmas Gloves

The very best in the market. Kids, unlined, 50c, 75c, $1 00, $1 50, $2.00. Kids, lined, 50c,75c,$1.00,$1.50. Kids (boys) lined, 50c, 75c. Men's Jersey Gloves 25c, 35c, 50c Men's Working Gloves 50c to $1.00. Boys' Working Gloves 25c to 50c.

Umbrellas

A new lot just received in latest style handles, especially for Christmas. All grades from cheapest to finest.

Underwear

The very best values in the city, regular and suit shape. Cheap grades 18c, 25c, 50 Finer grades $1.00, $1.25, $1.50. Union Suits $2.00 and $2 50.

Hats and Caps

Special reduction in price for the holidays. All Stiff and Soft Hats—$3 00 grade now $2 48, $2 50 grade now $1 98, $2 00 grade now $1.48, $1 50 grade now 98c Boys' Caps 18, 25, 35, 50 cents. Men's Caps 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and $1 00.

Tam O'Shanters

Reduced in price until Christmas. All $1.00 and 75c grades go at 48c. 50c grades go at 25c. 25c grades go at 18c.

OPEN EVERY EVENING.

COURT HOUSE

The Three United States Prisoners Released from Jail.

The Log Catchers Serve Their Time—Sciotoians Sued in Pike County—Little Items From the Big Records in the County Offices.

A. C. Messenger has brought suit in common pleas court against the Tribune and others for $579.17, with interest from October 11, 1896. On April 11, 1896, the Tribune company gave a note for $556.89, payable in six months, to N. V. Speelman, who endorsed it over to Messenger. Joshua Oakes, M. Stanton and A. J. Finney were sureties on the note and are made parties to the suit. Bannon & Bannon represent the plaintiff.

UNCLE SAM'S PRISONERS OUT.

Jack Lewis, Benjamin Osborne and Jake Cooper, the United States prisoners at the county jail, were released this morning, having served their twenty days for the log episode last summer

SUED IN PIKE.

Sheriff Rickey has received summons from Pike county for O. M. Coburn and Jno. Q. Adams, who are parties in the suit filed by Wesley Brown vs. The California Butter and Cheese Manufacturing company.

SHERIFF'S SALES.

December 26.—Grant Metcalf vs. Oliver Berkley et al., lot 53, Portsmouth; appraised at $375.

December 30.—Marshal & Wendall Piano company vs. Jerome Blekeman, 804 acres; appraised at $1,206.

January 25.—East End Building and Loan association vs. Elizabeth J. Hamm et al., lot 54, Clay township; appraised at $991.50.

January 6.—David Armstrong, receiver, vs. Russell, Vincent & Williams, lots 33 and 34, Fifth ward, Portsmouth; appraised at $10,350.

Saturday, Jan. 9th, at 1 p. m.—Nathaniel Davis vs. John Davis et al. Four tracts of land; first, thirty acres appraised at $213; second, fourteen acres appraised at $72; third, twenty-five acres appraised at $91; fourth, ten acres appraised at $41. Terms: One-third cash, one-third in one year, one-third in two years.

MORTGAGES CANCELLED.

John W. Clutts to Mary Ricker, $1,312.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Edward Eaton, age 25, Coopersville; Louisa Gilmore, age 19, Clifford.

BLANKEMEYER, THE TAILOR—this means something. A hint to the wise is sufficient.

FIREMAN HURT

Steamer at Seventh Street Department Runs Over Harry Flower's Foot.

Harry Flowers, fireman at the Seventh street engine houes, met with a very painful accident this morning. While running the steamer back in the house, after returning from the Market street fire, one of the wheels passed over his foot. As the steamer weighs something near four and one-half tons, his foot was pretty badly mashed. He was taken to his home on Eleventh street in the patrol wagon and Drs. Slagle and Kline summoned to examine his injuries. It was found that no bones were broken. However, the unfortunate fireman will be compelled to lay off duty for several days. Lew Ellis, of the East End department, is serving in his place and Jonathan Andre has Ellis' place at the East End house.

At Reilly's.

Games and toys, books and pictures, comb and brush sets, handkerchief, necktie, collar and cuff boxes, albums, etc. 21-3t

John Says They Are a Jolly Set.

Officer John Mittlehauser was in Portsmouth Friday night and attended a banquet given by Mayor Rowe and the police force. He reports a nice time and that the Portsmouth authorities are hale fellows well met.—Irontonian.

Driving, street, dress kid, Scotch, Jersey and cashmere gloves—men's and boys'—and you get ten per cent. rebate on all cash sales at Sanford, Varner & Co's. 21-2t

A Montana Hunter.

Jas. Blair, an old Scioto county boy, is back on a visit to old friends here. Mr. Blair is now engaged as a professional guide and hunter in the Rocky Mountains. He lives in Montana. Arthur Bannon visited him while on his hunting trip through the West a year or so ago.

Watches, clocks, jewelry, lamps, and an endless variety of other articles, all useful and appropriate for Christmas presents, at C. H. Harris', 412 Chillicothe street.

Taken Under Advisement.

The alimony case of Mrs. Gus Berthold against her husband, which was argued in Chillicothe Saturday by H. T. Bannon and Judge R. A. Calvert, was taken under advisement by Judge Douglass. The decision will be rendered some time this week.

Combs, brushes and French-plate mirrors at prices lower than ever were known before. We buy all our goods direct from the manufacturers, and are able to sell lower than those who pay the middle-men's profits.
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YOUR FRIENDS

Or even your Kin Folks will be glad to get a Christmas present. Now what shall it be? A toy of some kind or some other thing that will do them no good.

We Would Suggest a Pair of Shoes

A pair of shoes that will look nice, a pair of shoes that will not hurt their feet, a pair of shoes that is stylish, a pair of shoes that will wear good and a pair of shoes that will not cost two prices. Should the party be a gentleman to whom you want to make the present, we would advise you to try a pair of our own make Goodyear Welt Shoes, or a pair of the Excelsior Shoes. Should it be a lady a nice pair of the Tremper Shoes would please, or even a pair of shoes that is made by P. Sullivan & Co., of Cincinnati. For a dollar and a half to three dollars you will get the most stylish shoe in the market from us. We are closing out a line of Fancy Satin Slippers for Ladies and the prices are lower than we could replace them for in our store.

Wishing you all to make the right purchases we can't help but ask you to examine our stock of shoes which will save you some money in case you buy at our store.

Our $3 98 Men's Shoes, that sell in other stores for $5.00, now	$3 24
Our 3 49 Men's Shoes, that sell in other stores for 4.50, now	2 99
Our 3.24 Men's Shoes, which can never be bought elsewhere for less than $4 25, now	2 74
Our 2.99 Men's Shoes, which are as good as any $4 00 shoe in the country	2 49
Our 2 74 Men's Shoes, the kind you pay $3.50 for elsewhere, now	2 24
Our 2.49 Men's Shoes, that are worth $3 25, now	1 99
Our 2.24 Men's Shoes, considered a bargain in other stores at $3.00, now	1 79
Our 1.99 Men's Shoes, which have no equal for $2.75 in other stores, now	1 59
Our 1.79 Men's Shoes, that other merchants can't buy for less than $2.50, now	1 49
Our 1.49 Men's Shoes, that are sold in other stores at all times for $2.25, now	1 39
Our 3.50 Invisible Cork Sole Shoes, which are worth $5.00, now	2 49
Our 2 99 Cork Sole Shoes, that are worth $4 00, now	1 99
Our 2.49 Cork Sole Shoes, that are worth $3.50, now	1 79
200 pairs of Men's Shoes in ten different styles, worth $3 00 pair, now	1 49
150 pairs of Men's Working Shoes in Congress, Lace and Buckle, worth $2 00, now	99
Our $3.99 Ladies' Shoes that are selling in other stores for $5 00, now	$2 99
Our 3.49 Ladies' Shoes that are always called bargains in other stores at $4.50 now	2 49
Our 3.24 Ladies' Shoes that are not to be seen elsewhere for less than $4.00, now	2 24
Our 2 99 Ladies' Shoes that are as good as the $3 50 shoes elsewhere, now	1 99
Our 2.49 Ladies' Sho s which are as stylish as those you pay $3.25 for, now	1 69
Our 2 24 Ladies' Shoes now	1 79
Our 1.99 Ladies' Shoes now	1 69
Our 1.89 Ladies' Shoes now	1 59
Our 1.79 Ladies' Shoes now	1 49
250 pairs of Ladies' Shoes, the cheapest in the lot is worth $2.50, now	1 49
Ladies' Shoes made by the Tremper Shoe Co., worth $3.00, now	1 99
Ladies' Congress with buttons, made by the Tremper Shoe Co., worth $3.00, now	1 99
Ladies' Hand Turn Shoe, made by the Tremper Shoe Co., worth $3.50, now	1 99
Ladies' Shoes in heavy Pebble Goat, patent leather tip, custom made, worth $2 25, now	1 49
Ladies' Shoes in kangaroo calf, with or without patent leather tip, now	1 39
Ladies' warm lined Shoes, cloth tops, worth $1.75, now	1 24
Ladies' Felt Slippers, worth 75c, now	49
Ladies' Dongola Kid Slippers, warm lined, worth $1.50, now	99
Ladies' Heavy Calf Oil Grain Shoes in button and lace, worth $1.50, now	99

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Byron or Shakespeare, complete, 58c.
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Elegant cloth bound volumes good reading at 15c and 25c.
Histories and Biographies, bound half Russia, 75c.
Feather Boas at 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50.
Ostrich Boas at $3.00, $4.00, $5.00, $6.00, $7.00, $8.00.

Kid Gloves.

A complete stock of street and evening gloves at 75c, $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50.

Umbrellas.

Choice styles at 50c, 75c, 98c, $1.39, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $4.00 and $5.00.

We have extra help and will try to serve you promptly. Come if possible in the mornings.

Tissue Dusters.

Will outwear feather dusters and highly ornamental at 15, 25, 40c.

Handkerchiefs

Gent's Linen Initial, 20c, 3 for 50c.
Gent's fine Linen Initial 25c.
Plain Linen at 10c to 50c.
Silk Initial 50c.
Ladies' Linen Hemstitched Initial at 12½c and 25c.
Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs 10c to $1.50.
Child's Handkerchiefs, 1, 3, 5c.

THE NEW FOOD—Shredded Wheat Biscuit served free until Wednesday.

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